

Bill 48 Testimony

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item	Bill 48
Your position on the matter	Support
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Written Testimony	In full support of Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276.
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Organization
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The behavior of the Navy concerning the fuel storage facility a Red Hill is incomprehensible and infuriating. The Navy literally has a blank check to unlimited funds. They just received trillions of dollars for a whole new fleet of nuclear attack submarines and a whole new fleet of enormous aircraft carriers, each twice the size of the Nimitz. The funding for those weapons was happily approved by a nearly unanimous bipartisan vote. There wasn't even any debate about spending all that money for weapons systems. For the Navy to say they can't afford to safeguard Honolulu's drinking water is beyond shocking and bewildering, it's a bald faced lie.

Written Testimony Why? Why would they do such a thing? They know they have unlimited amounts of money. They saw in their own data that their fuel storage tanks were leaking. They know it sits right on top of the aquifer. They know that 1 drop of oil in a gallon of water, renders that water impotable. The only explanation I can come up with is, they have a singular focus on death and destruction. Spending money on anything other than increasing their capability to inflict death and destruction is an anathema to them. They literally can't comprehend spending money on anything else. Although their stated mission is to protect the citizens of the Untied States of America, clearly, their behavior proves beyond a shadow of doubt, they do not care about protecting us. They only care about killing a hypothetical enemy.

Somehow along the way, the United States Armed Services has forgotten that they SERVE the citizens of the United States. They do not rule over us, WE rule over them. They do what WE tell them to do. Now, this is your job, you represent the will of the people, that's it,

that's your job. I don't think there's any need for discussion here.
100% of the citizens of the State of Hawaii are in favor of protecting
their source of clean fresh water, because without that, we are literally
dead.

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PETROLEUM TAINTS RED HILL WELL

SOLUTIONS SOUGHT FOR POLLUTED WATER GETTING WORSE

IT IS TOO LATE FOR FLUSH OUT THE WELL WATER SYSTEM BECAUSE A LOT OF FUEL BEEN CIRCULATING IN THE WELL AND ON THE WELL WALL SHOULD YOU TRY TO DRAIN THE WELL THE FUEL IS GOING DOWN ON THE WELL WALL.

SHOULD THE WELL RECEIVE NEW RAIN WATER THE FUEL FLOATS WITH THE RISING WATER THE FUEL IN THE WELL IS ONLY GOING UP AND DOWN. THERE IS NO REALISTIC SOLUTIONS TO CLEAN OUT THE FUEL IN THE WELL BECAUSE AS MORE FUEL LIKES INTO THE WELL THE LONGER IT TAKES TO CLEAN UP. THE MILITARY IS FACING A HUGE VOLUNTARY EVICTION OR FACE FUEL WATER CONTAMINATIONS FOREVER WERE THEY LIVE. THE NAVY SHOULD FACE THE BIGGEST ENVIRONMENTAL FINE KNOWINGLY THE FUEL IS LIKING BEFORE THIS MAJOR DISASTER.

DOES THE NAVY HAVE ENOUGH SHIPS FOR LIVE ABOARD.

MILITARY POLLUTIONS GOES EVERYWHERE IN THE WORLD.

BLAME STATE LEGISLATURE FOR RED HILL PERMIT.

MILITARY FAMILIES SHOULD GO AFTER THE NAVY AND LEGISLATURE.

FROM JULY TEST SHOW PETROLEUM IN THE WATER NAVY HAVE NO EXCUSE DEC 6:21 REMOVE FUEL AND TANKS OR SUFFER MORE CONSEQUENCES IN THE YEARS TO COME.

RED HILL CLEAN WATER IS GONE FOREVER BY NAVY

ALL THE APOLOGY IN THE WORLD IS ALL FOR NOT THE BROKEN FUEL TANK IS STILL THERE ANY EFFORT BEING MADE TO REMOVE THE FUEL.

MILITARY STRICKEN RESIDENTS OR MILITARY FUEL WHO IS MORE IMPORTANT HOW LONG DOES IT TAKES TO CLEAN OUT THE PIPE LINES FROM THE RED HILL WELL TO ALL THE MILITARY HOMES OR NEVER BE THE SAME?

KONOHIKIS KUPUNAS

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48 (2021)
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters and members of the City Council,

Mahalo for introducing Bill 48 (2021), Relating to underground storage tanks. (To protect the purity of O'ahu's groundwater.) As a lifelong resident and a taxpayer living in Halawa, I strongly support this ordinance.

May I suggest a change to the wording in Sec. 41-45.

1 Underground storage tank permit.
(b) No person shall operate an underground storage tank or tank system that has a capacity to store more than 100,000 gallons of any regulated substance without first obtaining a permit from the director of

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Add the words- organization or entity after person.

It will then read, "No person, organization or entity shall..."

Mahalo for your swift action on passing this bill.

Sincerely,

Shar Chun-Lum

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony As a resident of O`ahu, I am and have been deeply concerned for many years about our water. It is a precious resource and our island's supply is limited. We can not wait any longer for the Navy to do the right thing. We know that they will not. Please give them no more time. Put severe consequences for not following the law and getting permits and have procedures for constant checking of the tanks. It is past time for them to shut down Red Hill!

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha,

I am writing in support of Bill 48. Please take action and stand with us in defense of our water supply. We need your support in directing the Navy to begin the process of retiring the relic fuel tanks at Red Hill.

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The Navy's inspections and repairs to the Red Hill tanks has been more than negligent for quite a number of years now and we can wait no longer for them to come to their senses. The future of our drinking water for our children and families is way too important to put at any level of risk.

The possible pollution of the Red Hill potable aquifer is a real and present threat. Past releases of petroleum, oils and lubricants have reached the basal aquifer and we can wait no longer to take action. Stand with us and condemn the actions and lack of actions of the Navy and demand they shut down the fuel tanks at Red Hill NOW.

Thank you
Wendy

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Written
Testimony

Aloha. I am writing today in support of Bill 48. The Red Hill fuel leaks have demonstrated just how fragile our natural resources are and it is clear the US Navy will not taken accountability on their own. Shut down and decommission the tanks while we still have water sources. While we disagree on many issues, water is one of the few things that we all have in common. Ola i ka wai!

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Aloha, my name is Erika
Born and raised here on O'ahu,
in Waiawa and Kalihi.

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I believe this bill will help to ensure that the future of our water and land will never be contaminated, disregarded, and desecrated (just as the US Navy has) ever again. Our water has been regarded as one of the most purest waters of the work, sustaining life for the 'aina and po'e of Hawai'i — as this is something that could have been prevented years ago, we must do all that we can now to restore water and protect it for our future. Without water, there is no life. The US Navy has also shown us that they have no regard for protecting its people they claim to protect. They have lied, hidden, and fought back against any call and action to ensure the health and safety for all people of Hawai'i — and for that, they need to shut down Red Hill.

Thank you for your time.

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Written Testimony	Protect our Wai! Protect our water for generations to come please! Decommission Red Hill forever!
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Written Testimony

There is certainly more specifics to be made as the bill moves forward, but it is not even a question that better management of fuel storage facilities needs to be handled by Hawaii, at the very least the State. Red Hill is an irreparable disaster. It cannot happen again, or Oahu will not survive.

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Written Testimony

I support Bill 48 as well as the rest of my ohana. This madness needs to stop and those tanks need to be removed immediately! No wonder so many of us have been in fact getting sick! I lost count on how many times I've been to the doctors for unexplained bouts of nausea, rash, headaches, dizziness. I truly believe our water is contaminated just so much that it's undetected yet we're still having to consume it and after awhile it adds up. There also is an alarmingly high rise in Cancer cases on Oahu. Tell the Navy and whoever else is in charge to pack it up! They are NOT protecting us and in fact haven't even checked on the public! WHY ARE THEY EVEN HERE? They are not protecting us, they are poisoning us.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Thank you for introducing and passing this bill. We must all stand together to protect this island's people and ecosystems. Imua.

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Written
Testimony

My name is Kanani Miyamoto, I am a professor at Pacific University in Oregon and have roots on O`ahu. I am writing to voice my support of bill 48. The recent events at Red Hill have proven the need for stricter policies for under ground tanks and tank systems. The health of Hawai`i's people and environment should always be priority.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Aloha mai kākou,
We must protect the water in Hawai'i from contamination. This is of particular and immediate importance due to the recent Red Hill jet fuel leakage caused by the US Navy. I strongly support the passing of this bill to protect Hawai'i's land and waters for this and future generations.
Mahalo.

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Agenda Item Bill 48 Relating to underground storage tanks
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
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Written
Testimony

The Navy's underground storage tanks present a clear and immediate danger to Oahu's precious groundwater resource. Therefore, this needs to be addressed now, through measures such as Bill 48. For too long, some have justified keeping the tanks as is because of a POTENTIAL threat to our national security by foreign entities, whereas, our own Navy has caused an ACTUAL threat to American lives here on Oahu by endangering our water supply. We can no longer tolerate their kicking the can down the road regarding fixing the fuel tanks. What has tragically happened to Navy families affected by their contaminated water is terrifying and infuriating, and foreshadows what will happen to the rest of our Hawaiian families here on Oahu if the fuel contamination reaches the general public's own underground water sources. We need clean water to survive! Therefore, I urge the swift passage of HB 48, with the following recommended amendments:

- (1) Regarding paragraph (b), delete or significantly lower the 100,000 gallons capacity requirement, since leaks from even smaller capacity tanks would be dangerous.
- (2) Regarding paragraph (c), delete it altogether or identify who the arbiter would be if the Navy asserts that their tanks will not leak.

Thank you for your consideration of my testimony.

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Written Testimony Further regulation is necessary to protect our precious and limited water resources on O'ahu!
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
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Written Testimony It is not safe for our island and our future to allow extreme amounts of fuel to be stored in giant tanks.
We should also be concerned about monitoring smaller tanks.

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Your position on the matter Support
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Written Testimony The Navy has lost all credibility. Shutting down the tanks and putting locals back in control of our land and water is the only solution.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self
Red Hill

Written Testimony

As a life long resident of Hawai'i, as a person who drinks water, I demand that the US Navy empty the tanks at Red Hill. I demand that the Navy transfer the fuel elsewhere rather than dump pollutants into our oceans. I demand that the leaders of the state of Hawai'i do their jobs and protect their people. we are nothing without water. I demand that our leaders restrict tourism as we navigate this crisis, I demand that our leaders hold resorts and golf courses to the same standards they expect of residents. we must ALL ration water, we must all care for our water. i am a farmer on the west side of O'ahu. Thankfully, our water comes from wells that have yet to be polluted by the military. Our crops only grow because we have clean water, because we have fertile land. we cannot sustain ourselves with fuel. OLA I KA WAI

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Written Testimony	Water is life and must be protected!
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Written Testimony	Ola I ka wai! I want clean water for me, my children and my children's children. Please go through with this!
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Aloha! I live in Honolulu and support Bill 38. We cannot let another Red Hill situation happen ever again. This bill is one small way to make that happen. Mahalo, Brennan Takayama

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I'm writing to express my support for bill 48. As the Red Hill situation has made clear, we need regulations to protect our water supply. Please support this bill on behalf of all of us who need clean, safe water.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Strong Support for Bill 48, we need to malama our wai, our water resources for future generations. Underground storage tanks need proper oversight as they are a risk for polluting our aquifer and any tanks over 100,00 gals should be brought for significant oversight by the county.

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Native Hawaiians have been telling you for years that military is not what Hawai'i needs to keep them safe as well as other residents of Hawai'i safe. The military, including the U.S. Navy, are the biggest polluters to Native Hawaiian land since they have invaded in 1893.

Hawai'i is supposed to have the purest form of water in the entire world. All those years, decades even of covering up what the military has done to the waters in Hawai'i. You need to take responsibility and accountability for these actions because it has affected every resident in Hawai'i, especially the Indigenous peoples of this land, Native Hawaiians. Listen to the people because they have been warning you, telling you for years what having American imperialism in these lands can do to it and its people.

Pass Bill 48 to protect the waters of Hawai'i and to require applicants with a permit on the kind of operation they're running where it is 100,000 gal in their tank system. Especially to make sure they are not bringing in substances like fuel that will contaminate the water supply and poison people.

PASS BILL 48 NOW.

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Aloha honorable council members,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for the proposers of this bill. The recent Red Hill water crisis has brought to light the true extent of the threats being posed to O'ahu's people by irresponsible entities and failing infrastructure. Thousands of people have been affected by this crisis, and thousands more are forced to live in constant fear that their water supply is next.

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Precautionary measures should always be taken whenever there are possible risks to the environment or people. The passage of this bill would ensure that an event like this doesn't happen again, would help to reestablish trust in regulatory agencies and entities in the community, and that polluters are held liable. I strongly urge the council to pass this bill in its entirety in order to protect the health and wellbeing of the people and the land.

Thank you,
Tabatha Knudson

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Your position on the matter Support
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Written Testimony

Please support Bill 48 to require a permit for underground storage tanks, ensuring that they will only be approved if there can be a guarantee that they will not leak during their operating life. There need to be greater requirements and safety measures to protect the limited water sources and supply of O'ahu and the rest of the Hawaiian Islands. Our precious resources are limited and priceless, you cannot fully undo contamination, so we must be proactive to ensure it doesn't happen in the first place. We must do this because clean water is a human right and is essential for the well being of our communities and children. Support bill 48. Mahalo

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written
Testimony

My name is Jeannine Johnson and I live on the Kona side of O'ahu and my drinking water and the water for my family, friends and neighbors, are all impacted by the Navy's leaking, antiquated fuel tanks at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility. Constructed over 75 years ago, the Navy's tanks place 250 million gallons of fuel just 100 feet above O'ahu's primary aquifer that supplies drinking water me, my 'ohana and to over 600,000 residents from Hālawā to Hawai'i Kai. The Navy admits it cannot access and is therefore impossible to maintain their corroding tanks which has had at least 73 fuel leaks totaling at least 180,000 gallons, according to the Sierra Club. The Navy's dangerous fuel tanks not only threaten our public health, they are detrimental to the environment and desecrate one of the most sacred wahi pana in Moanalua, Leilono, once located along the upper rim of the Āliamanu crater and was an entrance to Pō, or the "otherworld." Samuel Kamakau published several versions of this mo'olelo. The following is a translation of his writings from Kuokoa in August 11, 1899:

It was a place said to be the opening, on the island of Oahu, for mankind to enter eternal night. This place is on the northern side of the famous hill of Kapukaki (now Red Hill), at the boundary of Kona and Ewa, right in line with the burial hill of Aliamanu, on the upper side of the old road. It is said that this place [Leilono] is round, about two feet or more in circumference. This is the hole through which the ghosts of people slipped through to go down and this was the strata of Papa-ia-Laka. Through this opening appeared the supernatural branches of the breadfruit of Leiwalo. If a ghost who lacked an aumakua to save him climbed on a branch of the western side of the

breadfruit tree, the branch withered at once and broke off, thus plunging the ghost down to the pit of darkness. The boundaries of this place, so the ancients said, were these: Papa-kolea which was guarded by a plover; Koleana whose guard was a big caterpillar and Napeha, the western boundary which was guarded by a lizard. (Sterling and Summers 1978:9) (brackets added) Kumu Pono Associated LLC Study No. 131 (April 21, 2012)

Freshwater is Hawai'i's most precious resource and it must be protected. The Hawai'i State Constitution, Article 11, Section 1, amended in 1978, states as follows: "For the benefit of present and future generations, the State and its political subdivisions shall conserve and protect Hawai'i's natural beauty and all natural resources, including land, water, air, minerals and energy sources, and shall promote the development and utilization of these resources in a manner consistent with their conservation and in furtherance of the self-sufficiency of the State. All public natural resources are held in trust by the State for the benefit of the people".

I am the mother of former Navy seaman who voluntarily deployed to Afghanistan eight times and is currently employed Department of Defense. I strongly support Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276 and the permanent removal and relocation of the Navy's Red Hill bulk fuel storage facility underground storage tanks. We cannot allow the Navy to continue it's dangerous behavior and lying to the people of Hawai'i about their fuel tanks. Other Navy hubs across the country have shuttered their own underground fuel facilities built in the same era as Red Hill with officials in Washington calling the Navy's shutdown of their region's World War II-era fuel tanks a win for taxpayers, the environment and the military, as reported by the Kitsap Daily News.

The Navy and the military have already contaminated the soil, sediment and groundwater with metals, organic compounds and petroleum hydrocarbons at Pu'u'loa (Pearl Harbor). The Army's Schofield Barracks, located in Wahiawā, O'ahu also contains contaminated groundwater with volatile organic compounds (VOCs), including trichloroethene (TCE) according to the EPA. The Military also continues to threaten Hawai'i's environment with live ordinance it has not recovered in Mākua, Kaho'olawe and Pōhakuloa.

We cannot allow our Islands to become just another superfund site for the US military and I urge you to support Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276 and the permanent removal and relocation of the Navy's Red Hill bulk fuel storage facility underground storage tanks. Mahalo.

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Written Testimony

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The Navy has lied many times and clearly cannot be trusted. Militaries protect power, not life. Water is life and it must be protected by the community.

Written Testimony

Mahalo,
Nick Chagnon

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony I support the bill and I want what's best for Hawaii.
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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization

Written
Testimony

Bill 48 is so important to the future of Hawai'i. Look at what has happened this past decade and how long this problem has been going on and how little the evildoer has done to prevent this tragedy. This is Kanaka Maoli land there is no reason why the military should ever have this much control of our land to poison our kanaka and no other independent company or business and etc should ever have this much power over our lands again. E ola i ka wai

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Written
Testimony

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Written Testimony We need responsible oversight of large quantities of hazardous materials stored on all islands. As the Redhill incident unfolds it is imperative that we do not let this kind of catastrophe happen again. We absolutely have to protect these lands for our own sake, as well as for the future generations that will inherit it.

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Written Testimony

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Representing Organization Self

Written
Testimony

Aloha. My name is Danielle Espiritu from Waimalu, 'Ewa, O'ahu, and I am writing to express my strong support for Bill 48. We as an island are in an unprecedented state of emergency due to the negligence of the United States Navy and the lack of action taken to hold them accountable to ensure that our land, water, and people are protected.

Placing millions of gallons of jet and diesel fuel just 100 feet above the aquifer that supplies the majority of drinking water for our island is not only irresponsible, it is a direct threat to our existence. Over 180,000 gallons of fuel have already leaked from the storage facility into the surrounding area. We need urgent action. Should this aquifer become compromised entirely, it will have devastating impacts on our entire island, poisoning the lands fed by the aquifer itself and stripping resources from other communities tapped to compensate.

I implore you on behalf of myself, my family, community, and future generations to pass Bill 48.

Furthermore, I ask that you stand, with courage, and ensure the U.S. Navy removes all fuel from the underground tanks as soon as possible. Our lives and the future of O'ahu depend on it.

Mahalo for your time.

Ke aloha,

Danielle Espiritu
Waimalu, O'ahu

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Written Testimony

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Written
Testimony

I support this bill to not allow toxic substances to leach into the city's water supply. The Navy has had no concern for public health. Water is a basic human need that should be as pure as possible, especially on an island that provides us with such a pure substance. It should be illegal to leak fuel into the public water supply. They have endangered numerous individuals and families. This must stop. Please.

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

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Aloha. My name is Damiana Espiritu. I grew up in Waimalu, and I am currently a resident in 'Ewa, O'ahu.

I am writing in strong support of Bill 48 and am calling on our elected officials to do everything possible to ensure the fuel is removed from the U.S. Navy's bulk storage facility at "Red Hill".

Written
Testimony

Our people, water, and land depend on your continued and swift action.

Mahalo,

Damiana-Frances Espiritu
'Ewa, O'ahu

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

I support Bill 48. The fuel tanks at Red Hills should be decommissioned immediately and permanently. I come from a military family on both sides, including family members who have been stationed at Pearl Harbor. It makes me sick to know that many families just like my own are being poisoned due to the Navy's ongoing neglect. It especially infuriates me that this day has come after many many years of urging from civilian groups to decommission the tanks. Why is it that things must get to this point before any actions are seriously considered ? Please shut down the fuel tanks at Red Hill. Give Hawai'i's clean water back.

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Written Testimony

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Written
Testimony

Water is an invaluable resource, and clean water is necessary for a liveable present and future in Hawai'i. Contamination of an aquifer with hydrocarbons is worst-case scenario for O'ahu: cleanup can take decades and cost billions, and residents could be left without access to clean water entirely if the aquifer were contaminated beyond remedy. The Navy has known for years that the Red Hill fuel tanks were leaking yet were negligent in their responsibility to mitigate extreme environmental harm. I support Bill 48 as it is a measure to protect Hawai'i's pristine groundwater from preventable environmental catastrophes.

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Written Testimony Access to safe, clean water for drinking and bathing is a basic human right. It is unacceptable that any person, group, company, or governmental entity contaminates a public or private water source. Stop this nightmare.

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Written Testimony

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My name is Jaymee Kubo, and I am a resident of Ewa on Oahu.

I am writing to express my strong support of Bill 48. I ask that you as our elected officials do everything in your power to protect the residents and people of Oahu by ensuring that we have clean drinking water.

Written Testimony

Furthermore, I implore you to stand firm and to call for the removal of all fuel from the Navy's Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility.

Thank you for your time,

Jaymee Kubo
Ewa, Oahu

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Written Testimony

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My name is Jonelle Hoshide, and I am a resident of Ewa, Oahu.

I am writing to express my strong support of Bill 48. I urge you as our elected officials to do everything in your power to protect our people and communities by ensuring we have clean drinking water.

Written
Testimony

I ask that you stand firm and that you fight for the removal of the Navy's underground fuel tanks at "Red Hill." They pose a direct threat to our island's main source of drinking water. We need to act quickly before there is irreparable damage.

Thank you,

Jonelle Hoshide
Ewa, Oahu

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Written Testimony

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Aloha mai. My name is Danielle Pōmaika'i 'O Keikilani Akiona, and I am from Kāne'ōhe, Ko'olaupoko, O'ahu.

I am writing in strong support of Bill 48 and implore you as our elected officials to do everything in your power to ensure the removal of fuel from the U.S. Navy's "Red Hill" Bulk Fuel Storage Facility.

As Kānaka Maoli, we understand the importance of wai (freshwater) to all life. The contamination of our aquifer system will not only affect the 'āina and residents from Hālawā through Maunaloa ("Hawai'i Kai"), who directly depend on it for their drinking and sustenance, but it will also affect other communities like those in my own Ko'olaupoko. Farmers in places like Waiāhole and Waikāne have fought hard and continue to advocate for the return of freshwater into our streams. Should the Southern O'ahu Basal Aquifer need to be shut down, it would have devastating effects on communities throughout Ko'olaupoko, who will carry the burden of supplying water to urban Honolulu, jeopardizing our ability to subsist and to carry on traditional practices in our own communities.

Written
Testimony

I implore you to act quickly and ask you to stand firm in calling for the removal of the underground tanks and shut down of the underground fuel storage facility.

Mahalo nui,

Pōmaika'i Akiona
Kāne'ōhe, O'ahu

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Written Testimony

We need water. We need clean water. We cannot survive without it. How can we help? What can we do to help? We need to take action now. This is essential. We need it to live, water is life and sustains our life we need to choose this over anything else right now.

There will be no people if there's no water. We need and want to help and be part of the solution.

Mahalo.

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Written Testimony

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Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I strongly urge the Honolulu City Council to exercise its powers to adopt a bill that would protect our precious and irreplaceable ground water from contamination by storage tanks. I urge the council to strengthen the bill by clarifying that it would apply to existing facilities, and it's not intended to grandfather in any existing storage tanks, including the ones at Red Hill.

Please strengthen and pass this bill. I am aware of the companion resolution, but the Navy has shown that our resolutions are merely advisory to them and they have ignored them previous ones. We need legislation.

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

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Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I hope that our government here in Hawaii can make decisions today that make sure our future water supply is kept safe. The value of clean water is incalculable.

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Aloha,

Written Testimony

I am writing in support of Bill 48. As a water drinker, I am incredibly concerned that the underground storage tanks at the U.S. Navy's Red Hill storage facility remain in operation directly above a major water source. The Red Hill tanks are over 75 years old and have a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment. This facility alone has leaked over 200,000 gallons since construction, releasing 27,000 gallons of fuel in 2014—none of which was ever located or cleaned up. Now facing this crisis again, we ask that you please support bill 48.

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Nō Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Hawai'i, a public school educator, and farmer, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

My work in 'āina-based education aims to connect Hawai'i's keiki to place to responsibly manage natural resources, much like the kūpuna did, so that they may continue to sustain the people and ecosystems of Hawai'i. How can these children grow food, reforest our watersheds, and keep their families healthy when their water source is polluted? How can they hope for a future when those in charge in the present do not do our due diligence to ensure that they will have access to the most basic need of all biological organisms-clean wai?

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Mahalo Nui,

Jess Sobocinski

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
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Water is life !!!

Written Testimony Red Hill should only permit to the operation of large underground storage tanks only if the operator can demonstrate there will be no leaks during its operating life. If not shut down Red Hill

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Written Testimony

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Representing Organization Self

Aloha Councilmembers,

Written Testimony As a Hawai'i resident and father to Native Hawaiians, I STRONGLY SUPPORT BILL 48 requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City. Personally, I think ANY capacity should require a permit from the City as all underground storage tanks at any capacity is a liability and the consequences affect everyone.
Thank you,
Matt Imai

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Written Testimony

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Thank you Councilmembers Cordero and Waters for your action in proposing Bill 48.

Since the 27,000 gallon fuel "spill" in 2014 at the US Navy's Halawa tank facility, the reality of the danger to O'ahu's water and land can no longer be denied. Nevertheless, the US Navy has continued to operate the facility as leak after leak has occurred. The Navy has negotiated in bad faith an Administrative Order on Consent which has shielded its dangerous operations.

The US military through the Defense Logistics Agency has proven unwilling to communicate or act to protect the life and property of its employees or the public.

Written
Testimony

Has it been willful negligence, catastrophic indifference, or cowardice in facing the real and present danger presented by the tanks in service of a reserve fuel supply contract, that has made the US Navy/DLA unwilling even now to commit to permanently defueling the tanks? Contamination of 'āina and wai by petroleum products must stop.

If the Halawa facility is emptied and cleaned of its petroleum products now, the US Navy/DLA may bear the monetary cost and inconvenience of relocation, but what is that compared to poisoning life and land inhabited by over 1 million persons, not to mention crops and wildlife? The US military is demonstrably willing to obfuscate and lie to protect its "interests," which somehow do not include the land and water and people of O'ahu.

Navy Secretary Carlos Del Toro last week proclaimed they are refusing to comply with Gov. Ige's Emergency Order to defuel the tanks, treating it as "a request." I'm grateful that members of the Honolulu City Council are proposing Bill 48 and not lead astray by such outrageous disregard for human, plant, and animal life.

I sincerely hope the vote to pass Bill 48 will be unanimous. Defuel and decontaminate Halawa and the appurtenant fuel and water systems now, please.

me ka ha'a ha'a,
Kauai Lucas

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
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Written
Testimony

The future of our drinking water is way too important to put at any level of risk. Yet we are currently living with a 96% chance of another 30,000 gallon leak over the next decade. This is not acceptable.

The people of O'ahu need you to stand with us in defense of our water supply. Please start now by directing the Navy to begin the process of retiring the relic fuel tanks at Red Hill.

Please consider the rightful protection of and access to our freshwater resources for ALL citizens of Hawai'i! The hands of our future rests on the monumental decision.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Marion Ano
Resident of Nu'uano

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Your position on the matter Support
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Written Testimony

Aloha, my name is Diliaur Tellei and I'm a resident of Honolulu. I, like thousands of others, am distressed by the threat to our groundwater (our lives!) posed by the Red Hill underground fuel storage tanks which have not been maintained seemingly at all. Given the 6 decades these tanks have been around, and the last spill in 2014, I doubt we can trust the owners of such tanks (in this case the US Navy) to maintain them without regulation, despite the threat to public safety and life. Therefore, I strongly support Bill 48 which would regulate the use of these tanks and, hopefully, help us avoid total catastrophe. Mahalo to the CCHNL for taking a stand to protect your constituents.

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony The Navy must not be allowed to operate the Red Hill fuel storage facility any longer. The tanks must be drained and all pollution must be cleaned up by the Navy.
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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a Hawaiian, as a mother, as a water drinker, as a human being with rights to clean water, I STRONGLY SUPPORT BILL 48 requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City. Personally, I don't believe that there should be any underground storage tanks above any aquifers on any island because they are a liability and the consequences affect everyone. For now, I will settle to support the City enacting it's legal rights to create requirements for all federal agencies to comply. The stipulation that the underground storage tank will not release any regulated substance during it's operational life is important to note and I would like to know whom or what governing body will be responsible for establishing and regulating that determination.

Mahalo and Mālama,
Zoe Finn

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha,

I'll keep this short and simple because the problem and solution are clear: I support this bill because of course we must protect our water, now and forever.

Written
Testimony

My only concern is the current wording about "100,000 gallons of any regulated substance." I understand the matter of legal jurisdiction, but use of the term 'regulated' makes me worry about the potential for a harmful but so-far unregulated substance to be stored against the spirit of this bill. Perhaps just the capacity limit is enough to warrant the need for a permit.

Mahalo for this effort and doing all that you can to rectify this decades-long issue.

Mahalo,
Dylan Ramos

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Red Hill Contested Case Hearing Highlights + Background (2021)

<https://sierraclubhawaii.org/blog/redhill-cc-21>

Another one for the books—6 days and over 47 hours of witness testimony and cross examination, all in the name of protecting O‘ahu’s precious and irreplaceable drinking water supply.

After the Navy presented its 10 witnesses, it remains more clear than ever that its tanks are an incredible threat to our drinking water future and they have no plans to make substantive upgrades to the facility, nevermind relocating the tanks.

The Sierra Club and Board of Water Supply are detailing the history of “unscheduled fuel movements” (that’s Navy-speak for jet fuel leaks) at Red Hill, the Navy’s failure to fulfill its objectives and goals, and its failure to comply with its own inspection and repair standards. The Navy’s track record at Red Hill is an indication of what we can expect from future operations at this facility.

The Navy’s position appears to be that what happened in the past, is in the past and is not relevant to the future. New repair procedures, new inspection protocols, new hopes and promises for operating the best massive, antiquated tank field ever are the only factors the Health Department should consider in evaluating this permit to operate. That’s outrageous.

There could another explanation...if the Navy has always had the objective of not releasing fuel into the environment and despite their best efforts at the time, fuel has consistently leaked at Red Hill from 1949 to the present, then maybe—just maybe—it is not actually possible to store this much fuel in tanks this old without it leaking out.

Every day our argument is strengthened, as it becomes even more and more clear to everyone (except the Navy of course) that the Red Hill tanks cannot stay in place. True, they should have never been built there in the first place, and now, the tanks must go. [Check out the article in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser. ‘Red Hill fuel tanks have always leaked. Sierra Club says’ \(no paywall\)](#): “The Navy cannot be given a free pass to ruin our water,” Frankel said. “The Department of Health must conclude that the Navy’s permit to operate its antiquated and leaky tanks is unacceptable.”

It will be several months before the Hearings Officer issues a recommendation on whether to grant the Navy’s permit, modify it, or deny it outright. From here, the parties will file proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law from all of the information presented in this case. The

Hearings Officer, Lou Chang, will review the parties' filings, write his findings of fact and conclusions of law, and recommend a decision to the Department of Health Director, Libby Char. Dr. Char will make the final decision on whether or not the Navy receives a permit and if so, what conditions to impose. If we are unhappy with the permit decision, there is an option for the Sierra Club of Hawai'i and/or the Honolulu Board of Water Supply to appeal to state circuit court.

Here's who was in the room:



These are the common faces seen throughout the hearing in addition to each of the witnesses being cross examined.

Day One: Monday, February 1

“If anything could go wrong at Red Hill, it has.”

“From the very beginning, the Navy’s Red Hill tanks have leaked. In 1949, tank 16 was leaking 546 gallons a day...In 1958 a tank leaked 1,500 gallons of fuel. In 1971, a tank leaked 20,000-gallons of fuel, and in 1980 another tank leaked more than 25,000 gallons...And in 2014 a tank leaked 27,000 gallons of fuel.” In case you missed it, you can watch the Sierra Club’s opening statement by David Kimo Frankel here.

Per usual, the Navy believes that the tanks are in line with state law and regulations, that the tanks have not and will not impact O’ahu’s drinking water, and they should be allowed to operate with no additional conditions—because the risks to public health and environment are

speculative and hypothetical.

The Navy presented three witnesses that were cross examined by the parties. Commander Blake Whittle: Regional Fuels Officer, 2017-2020 responsible for all bulk fuel operations at Pearl Harbor-Hickam, including Red Hill; Danae Smith: Environmental Compliance Program Manager at the Navy Petroleum Office, 2015, and 2011-2012; and John Floyd: current Deputy Director of the Regional Fuel Department for Naval Supplies Systems Command.

Day Two: Tuesday, February 2

“It is an open question what causes the corrosion”

On this day, we learned that only one of the tanks in the Red Hill facility have been inspected in compliance with the Navy’s own inspection schedule. Fourteen massive tanks full of fuel above our water supply have never undergone an rigorous safety inspection. Tanks that are currently being inspected and repaired have been found to have defects that require mandatory repairs to ensure the integrity of those tanks.

We also learned that for all of the studying and evaluation of these tanks, there is very little known about the tanks. And what is worse, predicting the future at the Red Hill tanks appears to be impossible. When the Navy attempted to verify their predictions about corrosion at the tanks, they were right only 50% of the time (*Vegas get better odds than that!*). See for yourself by watching this cross examination of the Navy’s corrosion expert.

The Navy presented three witnesses that were cross examined by the parties. Chris Caputi, an engineering consultant to the Navy from an engineering firm called Michael Baker International; Frank Kern, an engineer with Naval Facilities Command focused on predictive testing, and Rob Jamond, an engineer with Naval Facilities Command presented as a subject matter expert in corrosion.

Day Three: Wednesday, February 3

“Tank 5 is the best documented and studied release [of fuel] of all the unscheduled fuel releases at Red Hill”

Yesterday, the hearing focused on assessing and managing all of the risks that come with storing millions of gallons of fuel 100 feet above the island’s aquifer. The Navy presented a structural engineer to talk about the risk earthquakes pose to the tanks, as well as a hydrologist to describe all of the various kinds of water monitoring needed to catch a leak from the tanks. They also presented the Director of the Red Hill Program Management Office. In a heated back and forth with our attorney, we learned why the tank inspection and repair protocols are so critical and how they are not being currently being followed.

The parties cross examined three Navy witnesses on this day: Dr. Gaur Johnson, a structural engineer for the Navy presented as an expert in earthquakes, Commander Darrel Frame, the Red Hill Program Management Office Director, and Curt Stanley, a geoscientist and hydrologist with

GSI Environmental.

The hearing continues today and tomorrow online. For Thursday we expect to hear from the last of the Navy's experts, and the Sierra Club's witnesses. Friday will feature witnesses from the Board of Water Supply. Closing arguments will likely be held on Monday, stay tuned for a new link!

Day 4: Thursday, February 4

Operation of the Red Hill Fuel Tanks “has impacted the aquifer immediately beneath the facility.”

Curt Stanley, the Navy's hydrologist, had perhaps the most revealing (and lengthy) time on the stand. Watch here as he explains that fuel from Red Hill has reached the groundwater. It takes about 10 minutes but the Hearing Officer gets the Navy's witness to plainly state (at about 3:55:15) that operation of the Red Hill facility has impacted the aquifer immediately beneath the facility. The witness offers comfort by adding—as if to say don't worry—“it is stable.”

The Navy's argument appears to be: because there is already contamination in O'ahu's groundwater supply, the added risk of continuing with the facility in place is not that high. The Navy also draws a distinction between groundwater that is currently used for drinking and the groundwater underneath its tanks that is (thankfully) not currently pumped to provide us drinking water. Plus, we promise to detect leaks as they happen even better than we did before. Therefore, the Navy should be allowed to continue storing 180 million gallons of jet fuel 100 feet about O'ahu's primary source of drinking water.

The day's witnesses: continued crossed examination of Curt Stanley, a geoscientist and hydrologist with GSI Environmental, from Wednesday and the Navy's last witness Donald Panthen, Program Director for the Red Hill Program Management Office for Navy Region Hawai'i, which focused on future plans to comply with the Administrative Order on Consent. The Sierra Club of Hawai'i also presented our witness, Jodi Malinoski, Chapter Policy Advocate (who nailed it like the hammer she is ☐). The parties had no cross examinations for any of Sierra Club's other witnesses, so their written direct testimony is accepted as is. You can read Dr. Neil Frazer's testimony here, Jodi Malinoski's testimony here, and Dr. Laurence Thomas Ramsey's testimony here.

Day 5: Friday, February 5

“We have a public trust responsibility to protect this groundwater... and our view here at the Board is this resource should be given to the future generations in a condition that is better than we got it.”

Listen here to the Board of Water Supply's passionate commitment to protecting our groundwater.

BWS's argument appears to be: the contamination we can now monitor from Red Hill is reason enough to take immediate action to reduce the risk and increase monitoring to watch for fuel already loose in the environment. Most importantly, the Navy's leak detecting and monitoring protocols are not protective of the groundwater and public health because these measures do not prevent fuel from getting out of the tanks.

On this day of witness questioning, we also learned that:

- fuel released from Red Hill is so severe the facility violates the Department of Health's "Environmental Action Levels" for key petroleum contaminants. DOH EAL's for these contaminants are 400 parts per unit. At Red Hill the EAL for these contaminants reached 6,500 parts per unit, and is consistently well-above the protective level.
- treating the water once contaminated is an option only if the contamination is in small amounts and there is time enough to design and construct a treatment facility. This is not "something you take out of the closet, plug it in, and it works,"

For the Board of Water Supply the warning sirens are going off right now—these contaminants being found now in the environment in small amounts are early warning signals that we need to protect our groundwater, provided we take action now before there is catastrophic contamination.

Witnesses cross examined on this day: Erwin Kawata, Program Administrator for the Board of Water Supply's Water Quality Division, then Dr. Dave Norfleet, Principle Engineer for the incident group of DNV GL, an independent expert firm in risk management and quality assurance and Dr. Nicole Denovio, Principal and Practice Leader with Golder Associates.

Day 6: Monday, February 6 - Closing Arguments

"The Navy has failed to meet its burden. Not only did the Navy fail to provide evidence the tanks will not leak. The evidence shows to the contrary, that the tanks will leak."

If you watch one thing from this whole trial, watch this! Sierra Club's attorney, David Kimo Frankel, gives a clear, concise, and annotated summary of the key evidence in this case (complete with exhibits and relatable pop culture references).

The public trust doctrine imposes a duty on the government to maintain the purity of our water. Given that the Red Hill tanks are in such close proximity to the groundwater, have leaked so much already that they have impacted the groundwater, and that the new promises and procedures for operating the facility fall woefully short of actually preventing any future leaks, we contend the Health Department cannot grant this facility a five year permit to operate as is.

If you missed the first few days of the trial, no worries, you can find our written summaries from all six days here. Included in the summaries are links to the recordings of the hearing shared by the Department of Health. I must warn you, it is possible the department will take down these recordings, so if you plan to watch the hearing—now's your chance, sooner is better than later.

Background —

Our long awaited contested case hearing over the Navy's permit application to operate its Red Hill fuel tanks is finally here. The outcome of this hearing will determine the fate of O'ahu's water. **You are invited to tune into the hearing next week, Monday, February 1-Friday, February 5, 8am-4pm.**

Tune in on YouTube by clicking the links below for each day:

Monday, February 1

Tuesday, February 2

Wednesday, February 3

Thursday, February 4

Friday, February 5

We will also share highlights from the proceedings on our Facebook page and via email throughout the week—stay tuned!

Here's the scoop:

This five day hearing is happening as a result of a Sierra Club lawsuit that forced the Department of Health to amend its rules to require that the Navy obtain a permit to operate its tanks just like every other underground storage tank. After the Navy applied for its permit, the Sierra Club and the Board of Water Supply requested a contested case hearing. In their permit application, the Navy fails to demonstrate that its tanks will not leak and will not affect O'ahu's groundwater. The Navy also fails to demonstrate that there is not a feasible alternative -- like relocating the tanks.

Side note: The Navy is required to apply for a permit because of our lawsuit back in 2017 that removed an exemption for field constructed underground fuel storage tanks like those at Red Hill. Prior to this, these tanks were unregulated by the state. This is important because the permitting process brings these tanks into compliance with state law, providing the Department of Health with means to enforce regulations and ensure the Navy is doing everything it can to protect our water.

We are asking the Hawai'i Department of Health to stand by its constitutional responsibility to protect our drinking water and its own conclusion that “the storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, **is inherently dangerous**”. The Department should issue a much shorter permit that imposes stronger protections in the short term while the Navy takes the steps it needs to relocate the fuel in the long term. Read the pre-hearing memos here: Sierra Club of Hawai'i, Board of Water Supply, and the Navy.

Outrageously, the Navy is arguing that **“the mere possibility of a future release, or the existence of a past release, should not affect the (Health) Department's permitting decision**

given that there is no evidence of significant groundwater impacts or reasonable likelihood of future impacts.” □

The Navy’s own studies have shown that the Red Hill tanks have a 27.6% chance of leaking between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons in the next year, 80.1% in the next five years, 96% in the next ten years, and a 99.8% chance in the next 20 years. Need I remind you that the administrative agreement to study, maintain and consider repairs to the Red Hill tanks lasts for another 18 years?

And oh yeah! The Red Hill tanks have been leaking since their construction in the 40s, including the 27,000 gallons released in 2014. Over the years, the Navy itself has reported that the groundwater has been contaminated by chemicals found in petroleum based fuels and that “past inadvertent releases have contaminated the fracture basalt, basal groundwater”.

The Red Hill tanks have threatened O’ahu’s drinking water for far too long. The tanks should have never been built directly above the aquifer and should not be frankenstein-ed to operate any longer. The cost of relocating the fuel above ground to a location that does not threaten our environment or people might seem like a lot. But when you take into account the military’s long history of contaminating Hawai’i’s lands and waters. the costs of cleaning it up, and the absurd amount of land they have taken over while paying the state so little—it is a small price to pay. Military-operated field constructed underground storage tanks are being retired and the fuel relocated in top-of-the-line above ground tanks around the United States, it is time the Navy does the same for the Red Hill tanks. This contested case hearing could bring us a big step closer to that goal.

Colonel (Ret) Ann Wright
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BILL 48 and RESOLUTION 21-276

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Agenda Item Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
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Written Testimony Shut down immediately and remove the Navy's Red Hill fuel tanks.
The Navy has disregarded the safety of human life for its dependents and Hawaii's citizens. A despicable act!

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

Our families and elderly community is drinking this water. Has the military not taken enough? Not only have they taken over Hawaiian land but now they are threatening the health of Hawaii residence.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
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Sincerely,
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Councilmembers,

As a future resident of O‘ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

“UWĒ KA LANI, OLA KA HONUA” #2888

When the sky weeps, the earth lives.

When it rains the earth revives.

Written
Testimony

This saying is a perfect example of how important water is, not only to our ‘āina but to human life as well. When the land flourishes so do we. Unfortunately we cannot currently say this due to the 178,434 gallons of fuel that has been leaked into our ‘āina since construction of the fuel tanks. My family lives in an affected area and now cannot even have access to a basic human necessity. I learned from a young age that water and the land is our life source and we must take care of it. The U.S Navy is currently not doing that and we must put a stop to it, not only for the health and safety of our people but for our land and natural resources. On an island that is all we have. The Secretary of the Navy, Carlos Del Toro, has done nothing to assure the residents that rely on the contaminated water system nor the greater population of O‘ahu that the Navy has the situation under control. We as a lāhui cannot trust the Red Hill facility to continue operations safely. Shutting down

Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Mahalo,

Kayla Furtado

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Water is the foundation of all life. When scientist look for planets, they look for water. We can only live a very limited time without fresh water. There has been numerous studies about the toxic effects of plastic bottled water affecting people's hormones. We cannot and must not depend on importing water. As the world looks to decrease the production of greenhouse gases - we cannot look to import water, or create factories to produce fresh water. Both would be very expensive and not sustainable solutions to the lack of fresh water. We must instead protect the fresh water that we do have now, and I believe this bill does that. We must regulate any underground storage tanks of large capacity in order to protect our aquifers.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
David Shizuma

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Councilmembers,

I strongly support Bill 48, which requires any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. We cannot allow underground storage tanks to leak and contaminate our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The Pearl Harbor Aquifer was carved into the foundations of Oahu over eons of geologic time and is an irreplaceable resource for our drinking water. The aquifer is made from porous lava rock with tiny holes and pockets in the rock where the water resides. There is no known way to clean the tiny pores if petroleum contaminates the rocks in the aquifer. We cannot allow our aquifer to be contaminated. There is no substitute for pure water.

Honolulu needs to protect its residents from contaminated drinking water. I strongly support Bill 48.

Sincerely,
Nathan Yuen

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Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

My name is Aleah Seamster, I am a sophomore at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. After reading this bill, I learned that we must put an end to these dangerous tank systems. If the US Navy can not follow the DOH guidelines and they can not contain the petroleum inside the tank, then it shows that they are not responsible enough to be operating these large tanks. This issue has been ongoing for many years, the Red Hill Fuel Facility leakage is a sign that we need to end this problem. Children are getting sick from this and families have to ration their water. We need to come together and solve this issue by shutting down these dangerous tanks before something worse happens. Thank you for reading.

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Agenda Item Bill 48 (2021)
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. And, a permit will only be granted the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. Such underground fuel storage systems pose an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I am personally appalled that the water security of our island's underground aquifers has not been the number one priority of all public agencies since the imminent danger of leaky tanks at Red Hill was discovered many years ago. This issue has been a known ticking time bomb and we are now seeing the catastrophic results for people reliant on the Navy's water system following contamination. This only foreshadows the even greater catastrophe when Oahu's larger water system becomes contaminated.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Jolie Wanger

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Please protect & preserve our community's clean water supply. I am absolutely heartbroken to hear of the jet fuel found in our community's water. Water is life & everyone deserves a safe supply for the means to live.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

It is beyond infuriating how the military is getting away with poisoning our islands. They should be held responsible for their actions. They should not be able to get away with murdering our citizens and aina. As any other entities would be held responsibility, sued, fined, jailed the military must be held accountable for the wrong doing actions. They cannot continue to abuse and destroy these islands. The government of Hawaii should also be held accountable for the military's actions and making sure they protect the citizens of Hawaii:

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I am in support for removing the red hill fuel tanks. Although I understand that it is a vital component for serving our naval fleet and protecting our country, it's location and degradation is jeopardizing our precious water supply and residents

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As a 3rd generation Hawaiian homestead lessee and mother of a 4, 2, and 6 week old living in O'ahu, it is quintessential that our water resources are procreated and safe for consumption always. It is our right to not only survive in Hawai'i but to thrive there. Without our basic resources intact we will not be able to do so.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council. Please due right by our 'āina and make this pono.

Mahalo and Mālama,
Noel

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

I am writing in strong support of Bill 48.

The collective grief and anger we all feel cannot be properly described in words. Imagining a future where we cannot live on this island due to poisonous water is an unbearable pain. This land has nourished us and loved us throughout our lives. It is our heart, our home — it's everything. We can't just pack up and leave when our whole lives are here.

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill fuel leak will affect every single living being on O'ahu if it continues. There is no life without water. There is no Hawai'i without water. There is no us without water. Realizing that this could be a reality for all of us very very soon is heartbreaking.

The people of Hawai'i are tired of our lives being treated like they're disposable. We're tired of being constantly displaced and abused by the military, the government, the tourism industry, developers, and billionaires. Our lives matter more than strategic plans and profit. We shouldn't have to fight any of the things we're fighting.

Approving this bill is necessary for the future of Hawai'i, the future of our keiki, and the future of this land.

Respectfully,
Marie Eriel Hobro

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Your position on the matter Support
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Organization
Written Testimony I support the bill
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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha,

Written
Testimony

I am writing to express my strong support for Bill 48, which would require any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Everyone deserves clean water, so please consider supporting this bill to prevent future catastrophes and protect our water.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Elizabeth Benyshek
Chair, Surfrider Foundation Oahu Chapter

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony Water is life. The navy needs to fix their mistake and leave. They are not protecting the people of Hawaii only harming them.
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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I am a Honolulu resident and I strongly support Bill 48 and resolution 21-276 both related to draining the tanks at the U.S. Navy Red Hill fuel storage facility. The Red Hill tanks have been a threat to all life on O'ahu since they were built. It took people being poisoned for any action against the facility/the Navy to take place. The tanks must be drained before anyone else is poisoned and O'ahu is made uninhabitable. The U.S. Navy has proven time and time again they cannot be trusted to protect our water or act in the interest of public good. Please pass Bill 48 and resolution 21-276.

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

I am a mother, and a resident of Honolulu. I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Our water is all we really have. I have suffered so much anxiety over the past few weeks, worrying that we will start smelling or tasting oil in our water at home. I had to tell my 4 year old to conserve water as much as she can, and my heart broke when she asked "what happened to the water?" I explained that underground fuel tanks are leaking. It is awful to have to tell a child that our most important resource has been poisoned.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Mahalo nui,
Alana Rask

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item BILL 48 and RESOLUTION 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization
Organization Veterans for Peace
Aloha Council Members,

I testify as an `ohana member of Moanalua of our past concerns that have become real recently, and demand the Navy stop threatening our health with the antiquated Red Hill UST. We have always worried if leaks would impact our keiki development, but the latest leaks and breaches have elevated our worst fears. We can no longer live with this daily stress as the Navy has lost all credibility, as have past and present apologists.

Written
Testimony

As a former Army medic, I am likewise concerned for my beloved community is considered a viable risk worth sacrificing for its own interests. It is the case that the military infrastructure has itself become a security threat to the nation. We demand political leadership fulfill their kuleana that includes the public safety and health of the people following the Constitutional premise of civilian control of military forces. The spirit of the 3rd Amendment posits that a military cannot infringe itself upon the property of the populace: it is the case our water is a public trust, and military activities are infringing upon public homeland.

This concern was established well before the recent leaks of 2021, as illustrated by this resolution passed by the Veterans for Peace Annual Convention in 2020. I end here with a the language of that resolution:

Resolution 2020-8: Shut Down Red Hill Naval Fuel Tanks (Passed - Yes: 424, No: 6)

WHEREAS, the US military illegally occupied the Kingdom of Hawai`i in building its empire of bases, leaving a legacy of ecocide it perpetuates into the future of its peoples;

WHEREAS, the US military appropriated Kapūkahiki located on a mountain range on O`ahu Island during WWII to construct the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, consisting of 20 fuel tanks storing 225 million gallons of fuel — just about 100 feet above the Southern O`ahu Basal Aquifer, the principal source of water for much of Honolulu and the island;

WHEREAS, records show the facility has leaked at least 200,000 gallons of fuel, 27,000 gallons from a single tank (Tank 5) in 2014;

WHEREAS, studies have detected traces of petroleum chemicals in the groundwater near the tanks where no effort has been to clean up the leaked fuel;

WHEREAS, the Navy's own studies cite that there is a 27.6% chance that the facility could leak another 33,000 gallons ever year and could have chronic leaks, releasing upwards of 5,800 gallons of fuel annually;

WHEREAS, after the Navy studied various tank upgrade options, it preferred the least protective and least expensive option, that includes keeping original steel tank liners, and using undefined, undetermined future technology maybe around 2045;

WHEREAS, in spite of the risks, history of leaks, overwhelming public opposition and no progress on tank upgrades —the Navy brought tank 5 back into operation in March 2020; WHEREAS, in violation of Hawai`i's Department of Health, the Navy's Red Hill tanks are operating without a permit;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT VETERANS FOR PEACE:

1. Calls for the shut down of the Red Hill Fuel Tanks, and
2. Relocate such facilities away from any public drinking waters sources.

Submitted by: Hawai`i Chapter 113, Hawai`i
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Your position on the matter Support

Representing Self

Organization

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BILL 48 DECEMBER 15, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING

Below please find testimony that I submitted to you almost 3 years ago. As we know now, the much-feared crisis has become a reality. Mahalo for your kind consideration of passing this urgently-needed bill.

Re: 18-266
February 26, 2019

Dear Committee on Public Infrastructure, Technology & Sustainability,

My name is Denise Boisvert; I live in Waikiki. I'm speaking on my own behalf, but now that I think of it, I may be speaking for the thousands of people on this island who are not even aware that our drinking water is in serious danger.

I strongly support Resolution 18-266. It is my hope that our City Council is more concerned about preventing a catastrophic crisis than about having to eventually deal with one. I believe I am in good company because the Board of Water Supply seems to also be very concerned about the Red Hill tanks that can contain up to 225 million gallons of jet fuel.

1989 saw the **Exxon Valdez disaster in Alaska**, the body of water was the Prince William Sound

- 11 million gallons of oil contaminated 1,300 miles of coastline.
- It was caused by human error.

2010 saw the **Deepwater Horizon disaster in Louisiana**, the body of water was the Gulf of Mexico

- Approximately 210 million gallons of oil were discharged.
- It was caused by 5 key human errors, and 1 colossal mechanical error

Red Hill, Hawaii; the body of water is O'ahu's primary sole-source aquifer.

Which year could become equally as famous is anyone's guess:

- 2020?
- 2025?
- It could even be 2019 – and that is not what we want to be famous for!

The U.S. Navy is trying to convince the citizens of O'ahu that we don't have to worry for at least 20 more years.

- It was human error to install the tanks on top of the aquifer in the 1940s.
- **Will it be human error to believe what the Navy is telling us now? That trying to repair and salvage old rusty single-layer tanks is the safest solution?**

The tanks must be urgently emptied and retired. Now is the time to prioritize the health and safety of hundreds of thousands of O'ahu's citizens over what the wolf in sheep's clothing is trying to make us believe.

We must stop being gullible.

- The mongoose did not control the rat problem.
- Climate change is real.
- **And the U.S. Navy's Red Hill jet fuel tanks are not safe.**

We are counting on you to protest us. I truly hope you are as worried as I am!

Sincerely,
Denise Boisvert infofordenise@yahoo.com
Waikiki

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

We as an island community cannot be safe as long as there is fuel stored above our most precious resource--our fresh water. These Red Hill tanks are a threat to Oahu. The Navy says they're necessary for national security, but what does that mean for us when our water is poisoned and undrinkable? Hawaii is the center for the Pacific-Indo Command, but how can that continue when our largest water source is contaminated?

We can no longer let the military's priorities drive life here in Hawaii. We can no longer let the military poison our lands and waters. We can no longer let the Navy store fuel above our aquifer.

If we don't take action, if we don't demand these tanks be decommissioned and removed, we will lose our precious fresh water resource. We will lose our clean water. As an island, as the world's most isolated landmass, we cannot lose something so vital.

Please pass this legislation, and please stand up and support the people of Hawaii, not the military that does not care for us.

Ola i ka wai!

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Pure water is our lifeline and needs to be treated with more care. I personally have been dealing with Skin irritation issues for the last month and until this came to light my doctors were struggling to find the cause. This is impacting me personally and daily, but this will impact so many in this community especially the longer this goes on. The Navy and Red Hill need to be held accountable for what has happened and the tanks need to be shut down immediately. Each day more damage is done, the time for action is NOW!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Katrina Berry

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I am writing in support of Bill 48, which provides an important but urgent policy measure to protect Hawai'i's water sources. I stand in solidarity with the O'ahu Water Protectors who fight to protect our land and our waters.

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December 15, 2021 Bill 48

Aloha City Councilmembers,

Mahalo for calling this special meeting. I am in FULL SUPPORT of Bill 48.

Written
Testimony

I do wonder why Sec. 41-45.1 (b) has "person" instead of also "business" and/or "entity" and/or "computer software system/robot, etc." and/or something to denote a non-human, unless perhaps it is understood that "person" is all-encompassing?

Regarding the 20 fuel tanks in Red Hill, I would prefer that those tanks never receive any permits ever again. They should be completely emptied and retired.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kim Jorgensen
Waikiki

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

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Written Testimony

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Harvey Arkin

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

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As much as I support the military's necessity and operations, they're here to protect us. NOT HARM US. This has been going on for far too long and must be addressed. NOW. My constituents are following this issue carefully.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Matt L

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Nathan Braulick

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony For the public's safety, please urge the complete shutdown and removal of the Navy's Red Hill fuel storage and transfer facility. It is a severe threat to our precious water supply and a grievous hazard to our public health! Act now! Mahalo!

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Good morning Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Council members,

Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu, as a former student of Red Hill Elementary and someone who lived in that neighborhood as a child, as a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. This bill makes sure that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We absolutely cannot allow underground storage tanks of such a size the chances to endanger our lives by leaking and contaminating our water, our environment. I have family who were in the military, we used to live in Moanalua and so did many other family members, I cannot properly articulate the fear that has possessed me with regards to my family, friends, and community's safety, when I think about how much and how badly we have already been exposed to contamination and were unaware. How many complaints and reports had been reported well before these past couple weeks and were brushed off and ignored, when there were so many opportunities to act to ensure our safety and livelihood. We cannot let it happen again. There is no option. The Red Hill facility, the deteriorating fuel tanks and systems, has had a long documented history of leaking fuel into the surrounding communities. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only option to guarantee our safety and our lives. Thank you for the opportunity to testify, and thank you for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Mychaela

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Aloha e Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, & Councilmembers,

My name is Kylie Akiona. As a Kanaka 'Ōiwi resident of O'hualua and kia'i wai, I strongly support Bill 48 requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. We need to start taking preventative measures to issues that have had devastating and lethal impacts on all of O'ahu's residents, and prevent what has happened at Kapūkaki (Red Hill) from ever hurting our residents again.

Written
Testimony

Kānaka Maoli and other organizers have been advocating against the US Navy leaking substances into our aquifers for YEARS, yet action and attention to this issue has only been taken seriously and widely publicized after military families became affected. Ignoring Native voices and struggles under illegal US military occupation is expected, but now that other residents in Hawai'i are realizing that water is life for EVERYONE, it is more clear than ever before that shutting down Red Hill is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water, and thus, our people. We should have never had to advocate for a basic human right to clean drinking water, so please echo the calls of your people and end the poisoning of our waters by the US Navy. Demilitarize Hawai'i so our keiki, hoa, and 'ohana can continue to live and thrive on our ancestral lands.

Mahalo nui for the opportunity to testify in support of Bill 48, and for being active advocates for your constituents.

Me ke aloha,

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Water without any contaminants is life.

I do not live in or around the Red Hill area, but where I live is directly over the mountain. Contaminants once it seeps into the ground, it can travel even further.

Written Testimony I remember watching a true story made into a movie where the electric company were required to line the ground with a special material that would prevent the toxic waste from seeping into the ground. They didn't follow the guidelines and fast forward a couple of decades, the community of people and animals were sick with various cancers and other sicknesses related to the contamination of the ground water supply. They were found negligent and the community were awarded over \$500M.

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
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Organization

Written Testimony

As the daughter of a woman born and raised on O‘ahu, I am deeply disgusted at the U.S. Navy gross negligence of reoccurring fuel leaks into the water supply of the island. Although I reside off island, my extended family, immediate family, and myself are at health risks simply because of poisonous water contamination. Lt. Gov. Green; I simply tell you that you are ignoring the Kanaka Maoli who are demanding the shut down of this terrible fuel management complex.

SHUT DOWN THE FUEL- DEMILITARIZE OUR ‘ĀINA!

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha e Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, & Councilmembers,

My name is Doris Yang, and I am testifying in strong support of Bill 48. We cannot afford to harm any more of our people; YOUR constituents, by permitting the U.S. Navy to continue their lethal practices of keeping fuel tanks stored above one of O'ahu's most important aquifers.

Written
Testimony

Our community has already lost so much via the illegal military occupation of Hawai'i by the United States; particularly Indigenous Kānaka Maoli who have been organizing around this issue for decades. For DECADES, the U.S. Navy has been poisoning our waters with deadly amounts of diesel without accountability, and it has been permitted for far too long. The tangible impacts of their presence on O'ahu are putting your constituents, your voters in the hospital. We deserve access to safe and clean drinking water, and I hope that you will champion our safety and human rights through supporting this measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Bill 48.

Mahalo,
Doris Yang

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Robert Quartero

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written Testimony

I strongly support Bill 48. As a resident of O'ahu and as a conscientious human being I believe that clean water is an essential human right and need. Please protect it. I encourage you to shut down the Red Hill facility which is polluting our water as soon as possible!

Mahalo,
Laura Margulies

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written
Testimony

Mr. Chairman and members of the Council:
The long and sad history of the Red Hill fuel system is well-known by now, so won't be reiterated.
It is simply outrageous for the Navy to continue its opposition to de-commissioning and ignoring the order of the Governor and Dept. of Health. Legal action to enforce the order must be taken by the State government. The city will not have jurisdiction of underground storage tanks until Bill 48 becomes law.
As well, our Congressional delegation can push to fund relocation and/or by passage of law compel relocation of the tank system. The water supply is too important and fragile to standby and fail to take action. All of you have the political resources and contacts to push the State government and Congressional delegation to take urgent action with the support of the citizens of this State. Thank you for the bill and resolution.

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Written Testimony

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Representing Organization Self

Aloha mai kākou e nā hoa ʻē,

Written
Testimony

I am here to remind you that it is your KULEANA to protect our MAIN AQUIFER!!! This is ridiculous to even have to have this conversation. For over 10 YEARS our elected officials have put us at risk through NON ACTION and therefore are the COWARDS who are LIABLE in hurting our waters and bending over for the U. S. military industrial life killing system who have been KILLING US, since U. S. Minister Stevens ordered U. S. Marines to land on our shores weapons loaded and ready pointed at OUR QUEEN. Recognize and KNOW that this is a continuation of this American legacy and tradition to KILL LIFE, including the desecration and POLLUTING OF OUR WATER SOURCES and THEIR OWN people. TANKS OUT. MILITARY OUT. TOURISTS OUT. Why are we 100% open to pīlau, rude, tourists settlers if we are in an "emergency state"? How are those two things happening at the same time? 100% open, but STATE OF EMERGENCY.

The real emergency is our water is polluted. THIS WAS 100% PREVENTABLE. But INACTION from elected officials, has brought us here. There is no water resources for tourists. TANKS OUT, MILITARY OUT, TOURISTS OUT. This is what Kapūkākī is teaching us. Yes I said KAPŪKĀKĪ. Know the REAL names of the lands you either occupy or descend from.

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further

stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Kapūkākī, The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

I am DEMANDING you to TAKE ACTION. THIS IS FOR ALL OF LIFE. This is EGREGIOUS from an ancestral Hawai’i life ways perspective, where desecration of water is the HIGHEST CRIME. Again, TANKS OUT.

me ke aloha nui,
johanna k stone

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

As a child and adolescent psychiatrist serving Hawai'ians in Honolulu, I've studied the impacts of environmental pollution on the development of our vulnerable keiki. Prenatal and young children are especially impacted by exposure to oil and hydrocarbons, which can lead to intelligence and behavioral difficulties. The council should strongly consider increasing environmental regulation regarding tank leakage to protect against pollution as we're currently seeing at Red Hill. All Hawai'ians deserve a land and sea free from avoidable contamination.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item red hill tanks
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony The Red Hill tanks are a tragedy that makes the survival of Honolulu and its people a reality!! Please stop the navy from continuing to fill their tanks with fuel Thank you, Eugene Kawaguchi, MD

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Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

[Share your personal story and how you and your community have been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our water protected holds a lot of weight with decision makers.]

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Mariana Chinellato

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a long-time resident of Moanalua Gardens, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. Therefore, we cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger than pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As a retiree, I am most concerned about the long term consequences of a significant spillage caused by human error, inattention to the increasing likelihood of groundwater contamination in the years ahead, and our need to protect this critical resource that makes Oahu livable now and for generations to come, I urge the County Council to pass this necessary bill.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and take up this vital measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Cullen Hayashida
Resident, Moanalua Gardens

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Protections like these are a long time coming. I have been concerned about the effects of military facilities and training on our environment for almost 2 decades. Now that the Red Fuel tank facilities have spilled again, after a long history of doing so, and public awareness has been raised to the level of outrage, I hope that legislative officials like yourself continue to stand up for our community and protect what water resources we have left.

Sadly, today, I live with another layer of stress, in addition to COVID, omicron, and economic stress, whenever I turn on my water faucet--will there be fuel contaminants in my water? Everyday is uncertain and it is even more heart breaking that the cause could have been avoided, if only our state government officials stopped kowtowing to the military that continued to let them get away with their corroding fuel tanks on our aquifer. I think that is what is more frustrating, how long we enabled this, and in addition to this Bill, what else must we do to have a consistent, committed, united effort from our leaders to

protect our precious water and land from military occupation.

Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Ellen-Rae Cachola

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Water should be protected from contamination. So many people were unknowingly drinking water with PETROLEUM particles in it on Oahu. This should have never happened.

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony [Share your personal story and how you and your community have been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our water protected holds a lot of weight with decision makers.]

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Mariana Chinellato

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Written Testimony

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

We shouldn't gamble with our water. It's too precious, too essential, and our most valuable resource. Any party that wants to put our water at risk does not have the best interests of our community in mind.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Greg Puppione

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker of tap water, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City.

Written
Testimony

I consciously chose to drink water from the tap hoping that it is free of any harmful agents. I do not want to continuously buy bottled water which creates more plastic usage and waste. I would trust that the city has the people and the climates best interest in mind and would make a promise to the people to keep our water clean. We should not have to be a society forced to use bottled water or forced to purchase our own filtration systems. Many families can't afford this. Clean drinking water should be accessible for all. Also consider families with pets. Our pets should have access to clean drinking water as well.

We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Jennifer

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha:

I am a kamaaina, and was raised in Manoa, on the island of Oahu in the 1970's. My family returned to Kaneohe in 2013, after raising our three kids in Atlanta, GA. Growing up in Manoa, I was not aware of the danger the leaky, aging Red Hill tanks pose to the water that supplies most of Oahu. Since we returned to Oahu, I have read about the environmental crisis that endangers the water supply for much of Oahu. I have a mother in Manoa, a sister in Kailua and a brother in Mililani.

Written
Testimony

The Navy has a poor track record for protecting the drinking water near its bases. See a recent Civil Beat article, which outlines the many states where military bases have polluted local drinking water, and then not taken responsibility for their actions. We can't afford to trust the Navy to protect Oahu's drinking water. If there was a major spill, which is a concern with these aging fuel tanks on Red Hill, the consequences would be disastrous. Our keiki and future generations, as well as ourselves, depend on clean water for life. This is a fundamental issue and must be addressed immediately.

Please consider shutting down the fuel tanks and relocating them to a safer location. The Navy has the best minds and technology, and financial resources, to move the Red Hill tanks. The time is now.

Sincerely,

Anne McCrea Orndahl

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written
Testimony

Aloha e! I support this bill and ask that you do too. There are many reasons why the Red Hill fuel storage facility on O'ahu is clear threat to clean water, a vital necessity to humans and the ecosystem.

- 1) storing millions of gallons of fuel just 100m above an aquifer is inherently dangerous and not a risk worth taking.
- 2) these storage tanks are very old now, are corroded and corroding. Holes have already been found. We don't store fuel in a gas can for longer than 4-5 yrs in our garage and expect it to be safe, neither should be assume that for tanks almost 80yrs old.
- 3) these tanks have already leaked a significant amount of fuel and the Navy's own risk assessment in 2018 indicated that more leakage is highly probably - not including an earthquake
- 4) 93,000 people have already been significantly affected in recent weeks by the most recent leakage. These are personnel that serve their country and now they have been displaced and already ingested contaminated water.
- 5) Water from this aquifer serves not on people but also people's pets, people's plants and just as significantly all the ecosystem resources in the area that depend on this aquifer too.

Toxicity of our aquifers have far reaching affects across time and space. This is no longer a risk assessment situation this is a situation where the risk is blatant and clear and the only way forward is to establish and enforce regulation for any underground storage tanks in the future.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

As kama'āina and a resident of Kaimukī, I support Bill 48 with every fiber of me, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill fuel tank and supporting systems are much too old to continue being used and must be shut down immediately and entirely to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. The government needs to firmly put their foot down and hold the Navy accountable, as well as put laws in place that prevent disasters like this from happening in the future.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council. Ola i ka Wai.

Mahalo,
Sara

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I live here and drink water coming from our aquifers. I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It seems like absolute minimum common sense for anyone storing anything that can affect the aquifers to be regulated. How on earth has this not happened yet?

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
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Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony [Share your personal story and how you and your community have been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our water protected holds a lot of weight with decision makers.]

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Alexandre Marcondes

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Agenda Item BILL 48 and RESOLUTION 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written
Testimony

I support City Council Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276 urging the permanent removal and/or relocation the U.S. Navy Red Hill bulk storage facilities and underground tanks. The stakes are too high and the consequences irreparable for the safety of our Island water supply and the health of the people of Oahu. Action needs to be immediate and absolute. Neither hesitancy nor any band-aid approach are acceptable, Furthermore, communication among the Navy, the Council, and the public needs to be often, open and honest. Surely with a federal U.S. military budget of over \$750 billion, actions can be taken to defend the safety and health of our water supply.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Organization Organization
Free Access Coalition

Written Testimony

Aloha!
Free public access to potable drinking water is the most basic right the people of O'ahu have. The U.S. Navy has proven they do not wish to do anything to secure safe drinking water at the expense of their WWII fuel storage facility.
Underground fuel storage is a dangerous way to maintain a fuel supply to the military, especially when that facility is known to be rotting away after 70 years.
The proximity to the water table is a growing threat to O'ahu's water supply. Even trying to regulate the deteriorating is a doomed endeavor.
The Council, State, and Executive in Hawaii need to press the national leaders to rein in the Navy's continued risk to Hawaii's water. Should there be a truly major breach at one or more of the giant tanks, the water in the table could be permanently ruined. Can we afford this?
There is no question that this risk needs to be...not mitigated...but removed.
Mahalo for your time.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Council Special Hearing Testimony & Talking Points
Honolulu City Council Special Meeting

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

10 A.M.

Hearing agenda

Register to give oral testimony. Zoom testifiers are strongly encouraged to register at least 24 hours before the start of the meeting.

Written Testimony

*Note: Oral testimony is limited to 1 minute for Bill 48 and 3 minutes for Resolution 21-276.

Register here

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Submit written testimony here: <https://tinyurl.com/HnlCouncilTestimony>

Bill 48 sample written testimony

Resolution 21-276 sample written testimony

Talking points for Bill & Reso

The Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility ("Facility") is a prime example of how a leaky underground storage tank can threaten our most precious resource.

The DOH has concluded that the storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, is inherently dangerous. The Facility's tanks, each with a 12.5 million-gallon capacity, had a quarter-inch thick steel liner when first constructed nearly 80 years ago. They are encased in aging concrete and sit 100 feet above O'ahu's drinking water aquifer. These steel liners have been corroding to the point where many through-wall holes have been found and are now less than one-third of their original thickness in some places. These tanks have leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since they were constructed and the Navy's own risk assessment from 2018 concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons (independent of any earthquake risk) over the next ten years is 96%. The Navy cannot prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Approximately 93,000 people living in military housing have been unable to use their water for several weeks. Water will not be restored, and those who were displaced will not be able to return home, for at least six to eight weeks, if not longer. If the Navy water system is further compromised, our housing crisis will mushroom.

DOH said that a water sample taken from the Red Hill drinking water shaft on December 5 confirmed the water is contaminated with "high levels" of petroleum and gasoline. The sample detected total petroleum hydrocarbons diesel range organics levels 350 times above the DOH Environmental Action Level (EAL) for drinking water, and gasoline range organics more than 66 times the DOH EAL.

Lower levels of petroleum products were also found in samples collected from the Aliamanu Child Development Center as well as homes located on the Navy's water system.

The 14,000 gallon leak of water-fuel mixture through a fire suppression system drain line at Red Hill in mid-November is suspected to be the cause of this water contamination crisis.

Navy officials cannot be trusted to protect our water. They have lied time and time again:

The Navy lied about an active leak at Pearl Harbor for months, discovering the leak in January 2021 but not informing Health Department officials until May. This was revealed in whistleblower emails and documents in October.

A whistleblower also told the Department of Health in September that Navy officials provided false testimony and withheld information about the full extent of the Facility's infrastructure, including connected pipelines, as well as "historical records of corrosion issues, including holes in tanks" at its Red Hill fuel facility during legal proceedings. The Navy continues to confuse and gaslight community members.

The Navy suspended use of its Red Hill water shaft on November 28, but the public only found out on December 1.

Hundreds of community members reported chemical smells in their water on November 28 and then health issues on November 29, which the Navy refused to acknowledge as a potential health concern until the state Department of Health advised residents to not drink the clearly contaminated water.

A day after the Navy said it had detected diesel in its 'Aiea Hālawā well at levels more than double the DOH safety limit, the military backtracked, saying the contaminated sample "did not come directly" from the well and the Navy does not believe the result proves the well is contaminated.

They continue to not be transparent despite agreeing to the Administrative Order of Consent, which requires them to be more forthcoming about operations at the Red Hill facility.

The BWS Hālawā shaft will be shut down until fuel is removed from the tanks and may not reopen for years to come. This shaft was a source of water for South O'ahu from Hālawā to Maunaloa. The BWS has advised that mandatory water conservation measures will now need to be in place in the summer of 2022.

Storm drains

The Navy "flushed" Red Hill contaminants for days in violation of Department of Health requirements despite repeated warnings. This risked long-lasting effects on birds, plants, fish, and other aquatic life from petroleum contamination

Bill 48 (first reading): Relating to underground storage tanks. (To protect the purity of O'ahu's groundwater.)

*1-minute oral testimony

Sample testimony

Meeting date: 12/15/2021

Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing

Agenda Item: Bill 48

Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

I am a teacher at Red Hill Elementary School. Our school has not been able to use our facilities water for the last 2 weeks. Our school had to rent handwashing stations, buy bottled water by the truckload for our students, and has served pizza for lunch for the last 11 days of school. About 85% of our students live in military housing and are unable to live in their homes, many are staying in hotels because they cannot cook, bathe, and do laundry in their homes. In some areas closest to the Red Hill Fuel tanks the smell of gas is so strong these families were getting nauseous and headaches, it is not safe for them to even breathe the air in their homes. The leaked fuel in this area needs to be promptly cleaned up and the Red Hill Fuel Storage needs to be shut down and safely emptied. This cannot be allowed to happen again.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Heather Ramiro

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and council members,

I'm a resident of Pālolo and I am in strong support of Bill 48 as a means of legally protecting the resident of O'ahu from future environmental disasters like the one caused by the United States Navy, an occupying military force in these islands that has shown zero regard for the safety or protection of the residents or natural environment of Hawai'i.

Written
Testimony

By requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City & County of Honolulu, and by stipulating that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment, we create a layer of currently-missing protection for the public health and safety of our people and take a small step toward greater agency over our future and the future of these islands.

The protection and management of irreplaceable natural resources—the very resources that allow life to exist here in the middle of the Pacific Ocean—must be undertaken by public servants directly accountable to the people. Resources like our fresh water aquifer simply cannot be left in the hands of an untrustworthy, opaque institution like the United States military, the single greatest purveyor of environmental destruction and pollution on the planet.

The Red Hill facility—its fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems—has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding

environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Will Caron

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Representing Self
Organization

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I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The lack of communication and transparency the Navy has demonstrated with the public throughout the past few weeks clearly shows that they are unable to take accountability for their own inaction. The passing of this bill will force those with the power to destroy our most precious resource to be liable, ensuring that clean water is available for our communities and the already fragile environment in Hawai'i is protected.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

We owe clean water to future generations the tanks need to be shut down now.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Kaira Resch

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Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

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As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

A personal friend of mine is a retired engineer who's specialty was underground tanks. He consulted for the Navy on these specific tanks and, like the Navy and everyone else involved in the Red Hill tanks, confirms that leaking has been an ongoing problem for many years. The Navy prefers to gaslight and "kick the can down the road" because no one wants to address the problem "on their watch". To a risk-adverse bureaucracy, its safer and easier to commission another study than it is to fix the problem.

But the problem doesn't go away – fuel is leaking from these long-past-their-use-by-date tanks. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Aloha,
I am writing to show my support for bill 48 which requires any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the city - to be granted only if the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. This bill is imperative for several reasons. First, the technology is available and is a vast improvement from the current 1940's era fuel tanks currently on Red Hill. Secondly, pure, clean water is paramount for our island, it's inhabitants and for the future. Humans need pure, contaminant free water that is not harmful to drink and use for washing and other daily activities. This bill is not only for Red Hill and I support it for all of its future applications as well.

Thank you,
Ronny German
Waipahu/Village park

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

We cannot permit underground storage tanks that pose an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our precious water supply. I strongly support Bill 48, which requires any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City. I agree that no permit should be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into our environment.

Written Testimony The antiquated fuel tanks of the Red Hill facility have a history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and have already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Mark Van Horne

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Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The Navy's storage of their fuel tanks is irresponsible and has always been a disaster waiting to happen. Their method of fuel storage is unacceptable, and these tanks must be shut down as soon as possible.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Lory Ono

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Your position on the matter Support
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As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Bill 48 is long overdue as the first step towards protecting O'ahu's most precious resource - our water. I am deeply concerned that, as citizens of Hawaii, we might fail to take the steps necessary to protect our natural resources before they are polluted beyond restoration.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters,

I support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. Hi

Written Testimony The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Hellen Cameron

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu, a water drinker, and a mother, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks.

Please do the right thing for our keiki and shut down Red Hill immediately and entirely.

Sincerely,

Caitlin Malia Cosmian

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Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

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The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.
Sincerely, Karin Brown

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Written Testimony

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Taylor Steele

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

It is so scary to me that an essential lifeline to all of us (humans, animals, plants, and more) be contaminated and harmful to consume and use. Protecting our water is personal to me but it is also personal to every individual that lives and cares for themselves and others on this island. Although, thankfully, my home's water has been safe for now, I have been worried daily and I feel hurt for those who have been directly impacted by this crisis.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Grace Tiernan

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I fully support the closure of Red Hill and the emptying of the fuel tanks there. I don't care how long it'll take or how much it'll cost. The military has the money. It would be ideal for the military to leave Hawai'i altogether, but closing Red Hill and stopping the poisoning of our water is a good first step. They don't care about us or our land. Shame on America for poisoning the land they stole and now ILLEGALLY occupy.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony It is imperative that we protect our water. Water is life and to poison water and people because of negligence and lack of care is despicable. Those in power of the many must protect health and life above profit.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Clean water is an integral part of life and to take that away from our Hawai'i families is incredibly concerning. It is a real worry that we may have to transition to bottled water, like many other communities around the world that have experienced water contamination. This is the opportunity for all stakeholders in our natural resources to step up and be accountable to the Honolulu community.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Molly Mamaril

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Written Testimony

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I deeply feel for the military families AND I know local families who are being impacted by this issue now. I have numerous family members who work at Pearl Harbor as well as federal firefighters nearby who are bringing their own water to work. They each have young children and families who rely on them and are worried about potential health impacts.

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Sincerely,
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As someone raised on and by the water and land of Hawai'i and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony Clean, potable water is a right for any tax-paying citizen, and stripped of this fundamental right, a community is literally sentenced to death. This right is one that the US Navy should be proud to uphold.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Lily

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Written Testimony

I am writing from Chicago in support of Bill 48, because I want everyone to have safe drinking water. Where I live, we have hundreds of thousands of lead pipes and service lines, and I often wonder what potential each of us might have lost because we grew up drinking contaminated water. Congress just passed legislation to fund the removal of those lead pipes, and now there is an opportunity to ensure water in O'ahu also becomes more safe for future generations. Any body that wants to store a regulated substance near drinking water should be responsible for the safety of the community drinking that water. Nothing-- not profit, not security-- is worth damage to human health. I hope you will support this common-sense measure to increase accountability and safety in your community. We are all connected, and I know if folks in O'ahu decide to put care for people first, all of us will win.

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

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Our family of 3rd, 4th, and 5th generation care for our precious Aina. We depend on clean water for our daily living, our pets, and our gardens. We live in Kaimuki, Punchbowl, Aiea.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

*Sincerely,
S Yee*

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Written Testimony

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Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Being born and raised on O'ahu, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. It is astonishing that the military can skirt the rules and continuously get away with damaging our 'āina and harming our residents. We simply cannot permit large underground storage tanks that pose any threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and precious wai.

Written
Testimony

My 'ohana and I have always thought of Hawai'i's water as some of the best and purest in the world. We grew up drinking tap water and were taught to leave a place better than when you arrived. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and holding the military responsible for cleaning up the natural environment is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Best,
Kalena

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Written Testimony

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Representing Organization Organization
WAI: Wastewater Alternatives & Innovations
Aloha Council Members,

Our non-profit WAI focuses on water quality issues and sewage pollution from cesspools and other wastewater treatment systems, but we are also deeply concerned about the past, recent and ongoing fuel leakages reported at the Navy's Red Hill facilities.

The Hawaii Dept. Of Health has concluded that the storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, is inherently dangerous. The Facility's tanks, each with a 12.5 million-gallon capacity, had a quarter-inch thick steel liner when first constructed nearly 80 years ago. They are encased in aging concrete and sit 100 feet above O'ahu's drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

These tanks have leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since they were constructed and the Navy's own risk assessment from 2018 concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons over the next ten years is 96%. The Navy cannot prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Almost 100,000 people living in military housing have been unable to use their water for several weeks. Water will not be restored, and those who were displaced will not be able to return home, for at least six to eight weeks, if not longer. If the Navy water system is further compromised, our housing crisis will mushroom.

DOH said that a water sample taken from the Red Hill drinking water

shaft on December 5 confirmed the water is contaminated with "high levels" of petroleum and gasoline. The sample detected total petroleum hydrocarbons diesel range organics levels 350 times above the DOH Environmental Action Level (EAL) for drinking water, and gasoline range organics more than 66 times the DOH EAL.

This situation is too dangerous and unacceptable. So we support Bill 48 and efforts to close down the Red Hill facility due to gross negligence and future hazards. Mahalo for your consideration.

Aloha, Stuart Coleman

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony As a long term O'ahu resident, I find it completely unacceptable to have these tanks leaking into our drinking water! This has been going on for years, and has been known for years. The Navy has had years, if not decades to remedy this problem. They have lied to us and they are now poisoning us with the drinking water. They need to shut down the tanks now! Please pass this bill. Aloha, Kathleen Elliott, Honolulu

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I live in Navy housing with my girlfriend and her family, which includes her mother and our 8 year old kid. I have been a lifelong resident of Oahu; Although, I did spend a decade on the mainland for college and after. It is absolutely appalling to me that something like this has been going on for my entire lifetime and has been continued to be neglected until it finally became a clear and present public safety issue. Our daughter absentmindedly ingested some of the water and immediately felt nauseous and ill. I can grumble and deal with the inconvenience of not having clean water as a result of the gross incompetence of those responsible; However, when the safety of my child is threatened. It is no longer merely an inconvenience and instead is a direct threat to the wellbeing of my family and I cannot permit this. We will organize as citizens to demand reform such that something like this never happens again.

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Written Testimony

I am a US sailor living in Radford Terrance. Currently I have been affected by the water crisis cause by the Red Hill Fuel Storage facility. I have a 8 year old little girl. I am speaking as a mother. These tanks have proven time and time again to be hazardous to military and civilian families alike and yet they have been allowed to continue to run. I spent 3 days of my water smelling like fuel while the Navy told our family that the water was perfectly fine, clearly they can't not be trusted to continue the operations at Red Hill and be honest about leaks that impact the population. I am terrified for the the health of my family if these tanks are allowed to continue operations as if nothing has happened. This leak should be a warning for what is to come if allowed to remain. Honestly it feels surreal to be living in a 1st world country where I don't have access to safe running water, to have to tape my faucets down to prevent my daughter from using it again and being sent to Urgent care for illness caused by a tiny amount of water used after brushing her teeth. I am her mother and should be able to protect her from anything that comes our way. But how can I when the threat of fuel in the water will always be a threat, one that I simply can't deal with alone? Please I am begging you shut these tanks down before a catastrophic leak occurs and contaminates the islands drinking water. Please shut them down before more families have to wonder if the water they bathe their children in is safe; if the water they put in their baby's sippy cup will make that child sick. Clearly the Navy isn't going to shut these tanks down of their own accord, it seems the health of our people simply isn't important enough for them. Please pass this bill and force their hand before more people are hurt.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

As a native Hawaiian Mahi'ai, water is the most important thing for life. For too long the Navy has been covering up and lying about the pollution and harm they've been causing for years. It's time to end this matter. We shouldn't have to decide if we want clean water for our future generations it should be common sense.

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Organization
Honolulu Youth Commission
Aloha e Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'āina, and members of the Honolulu City Council,

Written Testimony I would like to remind the Council that the Honolulu Youth Commission (HYC) supports action to decommission the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facilities to protect our island's groundwater sources (not resources, but sources of life).

Mahalo,
Bronson Azama

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Written Testimony This is the bare minimum that should be required.
I would suggest that an entity with scientific experts be required to approve any permit and not just a politician or political group.
The safety of our aquifers are of greater importance than any military consideration.

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Written Testimony

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Written
Testimony

It is so easy to take for granted having clean water to drink, cook, sanitize, and give to our plants and animal families. But when something so basic is at risk, it demands most, if not all, of our attention and energy just to survive. What extra energy is there to have hope and work for a better tomorrow for those here now, and for future generations? No amount of effort that my fellow residents and I make with protecting environments and habitats, and in improving the well-being of one another will matter if our drinking water supply is contaminated by regulated substances.

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Mahalo for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important

measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Joannie Pan

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Written Testimony

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Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony This is our island's largest fresh water supply. We are an island and supplies are limited if we do not care for the sustainability of our natural resources. Clean water is not only essential but also our birth right. As the council which is meant to take care of its people, ensuring that we have clean drinking water is absolutely necessary. Thank you so much

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

I strongly support the removal of fuel from Red Hill and shutting down the facility! By refusing to shut down this facility it means the govt is prioritizing war with China and Russia over the health and safety of its citizens! Besides Red Hill is not a secret and a foreign country could easily just bomb the facility thereby destroying our water supply anyways. It is not worth the risk!

PLEASE close down this facility it is not worth contaminating our water. Water is life!
Mahalo,
Irene Kelly

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Written Testimony Gross negligence by the Navy has led to contamination of public water supply and has endangered the public. In the future, entities should be held to a higher standard in order to prevent this from happening again.

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

Aloha,
I am Sophia Daniel, a second year college student at Kapi'olani Community College and has lived all my life on O'ahu. Please pass Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276 because our water is a precious resource that must be safe, clean, and accessible for all who reside or visit the islands. This our part to malama the 'aina and keep water clean for future generations. I am in full support and hope to see positive changes from now and in the future.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Sophia Daniel

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Written Testimony

I am in support of Bill 48 to protect and defend the water sources of Honolulu against and all contamination brought upon it by the use of underground tanks holding high volumes of petroleum that will cause irreparable contamination to the water sources viable for survival and living conditions of Hawaii's people. Large underground tank systems containing large volumes of petroleum should never be allowed to operate near or above any water source aquifer that could be contaminated by such tanks and its contents any on the island such as ours. Put and end to this horrific problem and take special care of our water sources for it's the life of our people and health of all who live on this island.

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

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Thank you for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Sincerely,

Piikea Kalakau-Baarde

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Written
Testimony

I also want to express my strong support for Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. It is unconscionable to allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

As someone who recently moved to O'ahu in 2019 with my wife for work, I knew making it here would be somewhat difficult, to say the least. With ever-increasing costs of living in the near and long term, as well as the diverse threats posed by climate change, to name just two concerns, I accepted that our path forward here would be challenging. But the potential threat of our drinking water supply being contaminated -- ruined! -- forever, or at least for decades -- let's be clear-eyed about how long it would take to completely flush a poisoned aquifer -- even in my most optimistic state of mind, I cannot

contemplate how we would be able to stay here. Would the military deliver water to our door every other day? Would we have to set up some kind of elaborate rain catchment system just to survive? How would we get through the drier summer months? How would the economy even function without a functioning fresh water supply? People thought Covid was hard -- I don't think enough people are fully appreciating how exponentially worse it would be for this state, this city, if our main aquifer was poisoned. We would certainly have to evacuate the state, as many military families are now being recommended to do.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Kyle Malashewski

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Written
Testimony

[Share your personal story and how you and your community have been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our water protected holds a lot of weight with decision makers.]

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Risa Yamamoto

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December 13, 2021

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Testimony being submitted via the internet at <http://www.honolulu.gov/ccl-testimony-form.html>.

Re: City and County of Honolulu Council Measures **BILL 48** and **RESOLUTION 21-276**

As a citizen of Honolulu, I write **in support** of these two Council measures, and staunchly oppose the presence and ongoing operations of the fuel storage tanks at Red Hill.

“The Life of our Land” is wholly dependent upon *wai*, water, *pure* water, safe water, unsullied unpolluted drinkable water. It is no accident of linguistics that the Hawaiian word for ‘wealth’ is the reduplication of the word for ‘fresh water.’ *Wai*, fresh water. *Waiwai*, wealth. They are inextricably entwined.

The US Navy’s fuel tanks – their rusting, ancient, leaking fuel tanks – are slowly disintegrating a mere hundred feet directly above O’ahu’s most precious, most important *waiwai*. Those tanks are no longer viable. They are deadly dangerous. They are far beyond the point of being spot-patched when they leak. They are a direct, Flint-Michigan-type threat to the very life of our land.

They must go. Now.

Again, **I support Honolulu Council Measures BILL 48 and RESOLUTION 21-276.**

More simply put, I say **SHUT DOWN RED HILL.**

Mahalo for considering my perspective.

Suzanne Marinelli
Concerned Citizen

From: CLK Council Info
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Subject: Council Testimony

Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Council
Committee
Agenda Item Bill 48
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Aloha,

As a kanaka maoli I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the city. These regulations are absolutely necessary to ensure the safety and health of Native Hawaiians as well as Hawai'i Residents, for generations to come. We refuse to permit underground storage of fuel tanks anywhere near the only aquifer on O'ahualua.

Written
Testimony

These fuel tanks have never once been proven "safe" since the onset of their existence. Native Hawaiians have been protesting this for years because as stewards of these lands and waters, we know what should and shouldn't be done onto this land. The US Navy does NOT have the best interest for Hawaiians in Hawai'i in mind, the US Navy does NOT know the difference between what is pono and what it is not, and the US Navy will NOT be the ones to suffer the consequences of this catastrophe. It is my keiki, my mo'opuna, and my kupuna who will suffer. We have suffered enough at the hands of the US Military. When will enough be enough?

E ola no, ea
Aia i laila ka wai a kane

'Alihilani Katoa

From: CLK Council Info
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Written Testimony

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Organization

Aloha e Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I grew up in 'Aiea where my grandparents house still stands, and where my family members still live. The thought that my family and family land may be irreparably poisoned by the irresponsible management of fuel by the U.S. Navy is so sickening and infuriating, it's hard to even put into words. WATER IS LIFE, OLA KĀKOU I KA WAI - all of us are alive because of our islands' life-sustaining freshwater, and we need to protect this precious wai at ALL costs! It is our past, present, and most importantly future.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Please support & pass Bill 48!

Mahalo nui for considering my testimony,

Olan Leimomi Fisher
Pupukea, O'ahu

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Aside from myself, many residents of the Honolulu area have report their water tasting like gas or metal. Water is life, water is what supports everything in nature, including people. How can we have our children and elderly drinking contaminated water and risk getting sick? Not only do we have to deal with a global pandemic in Honolulu but now even our water is not safe. The military has used our lands as a playground and this puts all of us, especially us Native Hawaiians, at risk. Why must we continue to allow the US military to pose a threat to the islands when they have done more than enough damage as it is.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important

measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Jade White

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Organization
Kaiāulu 'o Kahalu'u

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and someone who depends on clean water for my family, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

While I support this bill, I believe that any entity wishing to install underground storage tanks, regardless of capacity, should require a permit.

I live in Ko'olaupoko, far from the Red Hill water crisis. Yet, I am still infuriated with this current situation and the damage it has caused. Although I am not effected today, if the contamination is not remediated, I will be effected in the near future.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Me ka 'oia'i'o,
Hi'iaka Jardine

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I, Daniel Bishop am in strong support of any and all actions that can be taken to, first, Stop the further pollution of our aquifer located around and bellow the US Navy fuel storage facility. And Second, to Force the US Navy to immediately and SAFLEY drain ALL fuel that is stored at this facility to a SAFE and SECURE facility at a location that would not allow further contamination of ANY of our resources, Like OUR AINA, WAI and KAI.
Mahalo
Daniel Bishop

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I support the kanaka oiwi's demand to empty the faulty fuel tanks in red hill on Oahu. It is with the utmost urgency that the US navy and the US government act to save the aquifer. Thousands of American and Hawaiian people's fresh water source is at risk. The very people the military leaders are sworn to protect. The same families who give their life to this country are being poisoned, as well as the Kama aina who welcome visitors with aloha. This pattern of distraction must not continue. I want to see the us navy take responsibility for destroying the beautiful and unique ecosystem in Hawaii, across all islands. Pohakuloa, RIMPAC, Red Hill all come at a huge price to the land. This wonderful place we get to call home is being taken advantage of by powerful institutions needing a place for war games and target practice. The US navy must act now to empty the giant, leaky tanks of gasoline above the fresh water source for living and future generations.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee	Council
Agenda Item	Bill 48
Your position on the matter	Support
Representing Organization	Self
Written Testimony	Not news that the existing leaky tanks must go since people's water is on the line. Health first.
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee	Council
Agenda Item	Bill 48
Your position on the matter	Support
Representing Organization	Organization Livable Honolulu
Written Testimony	The Red Hill fuel tanks are a danger to our health and our lives. We need to move away from fossil fuels or they will destroy us.
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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Mahalo,

Alice

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48 Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony What makes Hawaii sustainable is its access to fresh water. Without it, our islands are uninhabitable volcanic peaks in the middle of a vast blue ocean. Now, after despicable lies, contemptuous delays, callous arrogance and pitiful racism, our island home is in crisis. Enough with the lies, the deceit and inertia. Shut down Red Hill. Do it now.

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Young Progressives Demanding Action
P.O. Box 11105
Honolulu, HI 96828

December 15, 2021
10:00 AM

TO: Members of the Honolulu City Council
RE: Testimony in Strong Support of Bill 48 (2021)

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Jun Shin. I am a Senior at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, water drinker, and a member of the Environmental Justice Action Committee for the Young Progressives Demanding Action (YPDA). YPDA advocates for public policies that reflect the values of young people throughout the State of Hawai'i. YPDA is in **STRONG SUPPORT** of **Bill 48 (2021)**, Relating to Underground Storage Tanks.

It's deeply frustrating that after years of struggle, a struggle that YPDA is deeply honored to have been a part of, those in power, including the United States Navy has allowed its underground fuel tank facilities in Red Hill to contaminate and shut down the Aiea-Hālawā wells, with the Hālawā shaft being in danger of being shut down permanently. We now live with the very real potential for water rationing in the near future. This did not have to be this way, but if there is a silver lining in this crisis, it is that more and more of Hawai'i's people are rising up to ask questions, coming out to demonstrations, testifying, and becoming ever more empowered. It is we the people who will protect our water for present and future generations, we will be the ones to shut down Red Hill.

Bill 48 is critical regulation that will require any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more (Red Hill is way way more) to go through the process of obtaining a permit from the City & County of Honolulu, a point in time in which critical questions can be asked and answered, information submitted for the permit can be reviewed, etc. This bill also makes clear that no permit be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. To be very clear, Red Hill already has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has

already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. It needs to be shut down safely NOW for the health of our people and our water.

Passing this bill into law is important. Not because it will solve this crisis the day after the Mayor signs it into law, but it will give us another important tool in our toolbox. Allowing us to work together with our government, using the law as leverage to demand that the Navy shut down Red Hill. Thank you for taking up this important issue. Young Progressives Demanding Action is in **STRONG SUPPORT** of **Bill 48 (2021)** and we are calling on its passage. Please pass this bill and stand with us in the streets.

E Ola I Ka Wai, Water is Life.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify,

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. I am deeply upset and angry. It is our birthright to have clean water. These fuel tanks are taking that away from us. Many families have been impacted. DOH said that a water sample taken from the Red Hill drinking water shaft on December 5 confirmed the water is contaminated with "high levels" of petroleum and gasoline. The sample detected total petroleum hydrocarbons diesel range organics levels 350 times above the DOH Environmental Action Level (EAL) for drinking water, and gasoline range organics more than 66 times the DOH EAL. Our health has been impacted. The DOH has concluded that the storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, is inherently dangerous. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.
Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

From: CLK Council Info
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Council
Committee
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Hello Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I live in the Mō'ili'ili area and have been tracking this issue for some time now. It's horrendous to me to think that the Navy hasn't decommissioned these tanks! It's affecting the lives, health, and safety of thousands of us in Honolulu. Recently I just evacuated from Honolulu to stay with my mom because the water quality is so bad. I'm currently trying to figure out how or what I should do with my water situation. This is with having filters on my faucets and a water filter system for my drinking water. I'm scared for my health and well being!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Nanea Lo

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Council members,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The residents of O'ahu are entitled to safe and clean drinking water and should not have to worry about consuming contaminated drinking water and getting sick from drinking the water. Many of my friends have been displaced and there's no clear communication on when they will be able to return home to safe water. Additionally, this behavior of allowing the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility to remain is negligent and a threat to the biodiversity of the island.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Melissa Menschel

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and someone who relies on water for living, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Having access to clean water is imperative for life on our planet. My community on O'ahu has been severely affected by this issue and health concerns now and into the future could be very detrimental. I fear for the lives of our most vulnerable communities. Especially our children and pregnant women and kupuna. We need the support, care, and protection of our local officials to do what is for the best for the health of our communities. If not now, there is sure to be even greater harm done.

The Red Hill facility is fragile, has antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems. It has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important

measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Sierra Dew

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I strongly support Bill 48 that required any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City and meet certain conditions. Ensuring safe drinking is essential to all of us. The Navy should have to meet the standards critical for safe usage of underground fuel tanks and stop threatening our aquifer. Mahalo.

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From: CLK Council Info
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Written Testimony

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Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony I support Bill 48 because I care about our community, our land, and our resources. We must take care of our precious water because it affects all of us, including our keiki who will inherit what we pass on to them. Please consider how our actions now impact the future.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
Larissa Marks

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

I am a former resident of Honolulu, Hawai'i, born and raised on the Big Island of Hawai'i. For 8 years I consumed and lived off of the waters of O'ahu. To this day, most of my family and friends live off of this water. I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. No tank or structure should be allowed to reside in the vicinity of our most precious resource if it poses any threat of leak or contamination to the environment. We have a duty to protect the land and the people that reside on it.

Written
Testimony

Native Hawaiians say, *ola i ka wai*: water is life. Without water there is no vegetation, no animal life, no us. In Hawai'i, water is sacred. It is not only what we consume and cleanse with, it is what we swim in, play in, water our gardens with raise our keiki in. The land provides us with everything that we need and we are destroying it. And now, as we have seen for decades across the globe, that resource is being terrorized and our livelihoods threatened.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Casey Nakamura

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

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Written
Testimony

While I have not yet been impacted by the leakage of jet fuel from the Red Hill tanks, if there is a leak that reaches the aquifer a large majority of the island of Oahu is doomed. Where we will be able to drink water or shower or do laundry or water our crops? Please avert this major disaster.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
Laura Gerwitz

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We absolutely cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger when they pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Having been raised in California droughts are not new to me, but the constant worries about having enough water, rationing water, and thinking about whether or not there is enough water for this or that are one more avoidable worry on top of all the other ones we are already facing in 2021. I know from experience that lack of water leads to a significantly poorer quality of life, and the fact that we are allowing our greatest source of water on island to be polluted without reprieve is unconscionable. Water is the most basic necessity for life and we are allowing the Navy to squander it for no other reason than their own incompetence at managing their fuel storage.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Bonnie

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Written Testimony

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Written
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Sincerely,
Brian Campbell

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Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

My name is Malia Lum Kawaihoa Marquez and I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I am greatly concerned about this leak at Kapūkāki (Red Hill), as it could possibly affect many many more people. It's sad that the Navy personnel are greatly affected by this man made environmental catastrophe.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council. Please support Bill 48.

Me ka ha'aha'a,
Malia Lum Kawaihoa Marquez

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Written Testimony

We need to protect our water at all costs. I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

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Written Testimony

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Written
Testimony

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The military is supposed to protect its citizens and ensure freedom of this country, but all I see is the military deflecting blame, causing harm, and taking advantage of the natural land.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Gabriel Huang

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Written Testimony

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To Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers:

I live in Honolulu, where I was born and raised, and have enjoyed access to drinking water from the Moanalua-Waimalu groundwater aquifer for my whole life. I am writing out of the moral principle of speaking up for my island neighbors on the Navy water system as well as with alarm for the future safety of my own family, which is served by the Beretania Pumping Station.

Written
Testimony

I have been following the news and watching as the Navy has been scrambling to put together an adequate emergency response for its own compromised water system. It is horrifying to think of how inadequate the Navy's response would be if the larger aquifer and distribution system for 400,000 people was compromised. The burden of emergency response should not be placed on the Board of Water Supply and Honolulu's government. The Navy's lack of accountability and lack of transparency regarding their mismanagement of the Red Hill tanks has risked our most important resources: people, land, and water.

The consequence of our willingness to delay action and reluctance to spend money on this house-afire problem is that we have endangered children of military personnel, the most vulnerable cogs in a machine meant to protect our country from harm.

Therefore, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no

permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. I would prefer that the language of Bill 48 be such that a well-constructed and well-monitored tank-within-a-tank solution could be possible. But unfortunately we are now operating from a point of crisis, so I support any measure that provides better safeguards for underground tanks.

Thank you for your work on these efforts,

Sincerely,
Emily Gillmar

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Written Testimony

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a lifelong resident of O'ahu, native Hawaiian and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, which requires any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Generations of my family have lived in these Islands from prior to contact by foreign peoples. Each generation has maintained the kūleana to keep these lands in as best condition it could for the next. I MUST do all I can to insure that the drinking water for myself, my neighbors, my adult children, my mo'opuna and the generations of my ohana to come is clean, pure and drinkable! The only guarantee that this will happen is to pass Strong Bills such as 48!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Constance Keo'ahunui Uale Warrington
Resident
Moanalua Valley, O'ahu

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I am terrified for myself and my community. I have seen the devastation wrought by contaminated drinking water on the continent. We cannot let a similar fate befall us here in Hawai'i. The US Navy cannot be trusted. This Bill and the accompanying resolution directly related to Red Hill is a glimmer of hope and gives me confidence in this council. Please rise to this occasion and stand up to the US Military -- they do not have our best interest in mind, their more preoccupied with "projecting power" into Asia and supporting a new cold war. Stand up for us. Stand up for our present and future existence in this land. Water is life. Clean water gives us national security. Jet fuel does not.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Tom Iwanicki

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha mai kākou,

As a resident of Kalauao, O'ahu, I support Bill 48. The use of large capacity underground fuel storage tanks and the threat they pose to public health and the health of our 'aīna is immeasurable and has implications for generations to come.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill facility in particular has a documented history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated our primary water supply. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and draining the tanks is the only way to prevent any more damage from being done to the aquifer and is the first step in beginning to heal the hurt and mistrust caused by the institutions responsible for the current public health crisis.

Ola i ka wai,
Kim

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item bill 48, Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

I am Chair of the Public Safety Committee of the Pearl City Neighborhood Board #21 and I am submitting my testimony as a follow up to our resolution passed by our Board on January 28, 2020 resolving that the U.S. Navy develop a long-term plan to relocate the Tanks to sites that do not lie over groundwater resource, but leakages have escalated since then.

Written
Testimony

As we are aware that the U.S. Navy fuel tank storage at Red Hill is vital to supporting military operations in the Pacific area and a backup to any emergency situation on O'ahu, we are also aware that the Red Hill Fuel Storage Facility is extremely fragile for leakage and has experienced problems with leakage over the years. The Underground Fuel Tanks (UTF) are located 100 ft above the aquifer which is vital to a large part of Oahu residents. Communication between our civilian government and military counterparts have lacked transparency and lack of a plan with no solution in sight,

It is imminent that the tanks be relocated and emergency funding needs to be provided at the Congressional level in collaboration with the Navy Department. If fuel leaks into our vital aquifer, it would be a grave environmental disaster and a huge impact to our water on Oahu that would not be recovered for several years.

Our ohana should not be threatened by a water shortage created by

contaminated water.

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self
Written Testimony It is imperative that the fuel tanks be shut down lest all of life on Oahu is shut down now and forever.
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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

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As a psychologist, I hear the impact of uncertainty and worry about the health and safety of our people. Water is a basic need that must be protected.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Nicole Nakamura, PsyD

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Name: Lois Berger
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Hearing Date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Written
Testimony

I fully support Bill 48. I agree with DOH that fuel tanks above our sole source aquifer is inherently dangerous. It is too much of a risk to all residents of Hawaii. We live on island and it's not a matter of having water driven over from elsewhere, there is no elsewhere. Without a healthy, functioning, non-contaminated aquifer, our economy would fail, the real estate market would suffer, and it would surely destroy our agriculture businesses. Not to mention the health issues, both immediate and long term, on our families, children, ourselves.

Drought and climate change makes this an even more precious resource that we have taken for granted and abused for too long.

Thank you for acting on this issue so quickly and please do all that you can to shut down Red Hill Fuel Tank Farm permanently and more importantly for immediate action, empty the tanks and move the fuel off our aquifer now before further damage is done to our aquifer.

Thank you

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

We are looking to our leaders to protect all of us from the eminent poisoning of our valuable water resource. If Red Hill tanks are not shut down and remedied, things will progressively worsen and we will be sure to be poisoned. SAVE US PLEASE!!!! I AM BEGGING AND PRAYING FOR MY KEIKIS LIVES.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Kaua'i for the past 34 years and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I have work colleagues spending time on projects on Oahu and staying in accommodations in the area where the Red Hill facility leaked petroleum into the drinking water. I am very concerned for them and all of the families and especially the little children.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony If our water supply is contaminated, our community will be irreparably harmed. We must take immediate action to protect Oahu's drinking water supply, since the Navy has proven that they cannot be trusted to do so.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Richard Furst
Aina Haina

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

My family has lived on O'ahu for generations--this is our home, and we intend for future generations to live here well beyond us. My family lives in Kalihi valley, which is very close to Red Hill and draws drinking water from the same aquifer that sits right under the Bulk Fuel Storage Facility. Our proximity to the fuel leakage is particularly troubling to me. I have two young children and I am most concerned about how exposure to petroleum in our drinking and bathing water will impact them not only in the immediate future but in their long-term futures as well. Will O'ahu still be a place they can call home, and carry on their indigenous ancestry that ties them to this place? This is our health and our lives that we are fighting for, and we look to you as our elected officials to represent us.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the

only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
I am a resident of O'ahu for the past 7 years. I came to Hawaii to heal from a debilitating illness; for the clean air and water. I am saddened by the leaking of jet fuel into one of O'ahu's Halawa aquifers. I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. A lot of damage has already occurred and will continue to occur if we do not step up and demand the Navy to be responsible and fix their mistakes without delay. The obstinance in their response is repugnant. We have the constitution of the United States behind us and must use this moral high ground to stop this senseless poisoning of the People of Hawaii.

Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for your attention,

Mahalo Nui

Sharon Levine

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Your position on the matter Support
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Organization

Aloha Chair Waters & Council Members:

I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger can pose an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. This has been the case with the Navy's underground fuel tank farm that has poisoned the water for 90,000 family members of those currently serving in the armed services. These tanks pose a significant threat to the water security of over 400,000 Honolulu residents.

Written
Testimony

Honolulu's aquifer is vital to the economy of this city and the larger state. Contaminated water will notably harm the hospitality industry, from hotels to restaurants, and undercut the value of owner-occupied residential homes. This would be calamitous for city and state finances.

This bill is necessary to help ensure Honolulu's water security, which is vital for public health and continued economic growth.

Mahalo,
Nikos A. Leverenz
District 7

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

The problem is the Navy can't seem to get its ship together when it comes to Red Hill and their leaking fuel facility. The World's Largest Nuclear Powered Janitorial Service noted a significant leak, but kept it under wraps, for fear of not being able to get the tanks permitted. The State of Hawai'i has ordered them to shut down the facility, but the Navy wants a contested case hearing, which will take years and the contamination is now! I may no longer be on O'ahu, but we had JP-5 in our water on CV-19, so I know a little about what O'ahu residents can expect.

Written Testimony Start picking a new location not over the aquifer and consider building the tanks out of composite materials that are impervious to petroleum products and they need not be below ground. It's ironic, but they are endangering those they are supposed to be protecting.

One thing to consider, but the petroleum industry won't like, is testing hemp oil for fuel. It was the fuel of choice for Karl Benz's first cars and was used until the fledgling auto industry was bullied by the petroleum industry. A hemp oil leak would never be a problem. Hemp is a volatile and renewable. Grown in huge farms, it wouldn't need long pipelines, as it grows most anywhere and who knows, it may just get us into the 20th century. Petroleum wants to mire us in the 18th century.

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13 December 2021

To: City and County of Honolulu
City Council

Re: Support Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276; 10am Special Meeting

Aloha Council Members,

When I was a wee boy in the 70's a relative said to me as we drove by what we called Red Hill "see dat hill get one massive gas tank in there." "Nah I said, no can, you lie. Plus da hill not even red." I bet plenty kids said that. We say this to ourselves as island people all the time. We push it off, see it or know it but act like it's not there, or if someone from outside comes in wearing shoes and a collar and says "everything is ok" we simply take their word, act deferential often over our own gut feeling.

Despite my youthful 70's moment the issue of knowingly poisoning our greatest aquifer became an issue of concern since I gained a semblance of conscience some 3 decades ago. The issue of Red Hill is older than many of us alive today and the can was kicked further than it ever should have. Its been kicked so far that if we were to go on without addressing it we will not have only kicked the can, we will have kicked the ladder on future generations.

There was a fun Latin term I learned while in school: *res ipsa loquitor*. Some things speak for themselves. There is no need for debate.

The spigot for the slippery slope of debate about a life-giving resource, placed and controlled by the military, now poisoning its own people in a community 2,500 miles away from anywhere should be turned off before it poisons us all.

Please pass Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276.

Aloha 'āina momona,



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Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: **IN STRONG SUPPORT**

Welina mai: Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a human being who requires **CLEAN** water to survive, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

It is truly appalling that such measures must be taken to ensure that clean water is a priority. It is clearly not the priority of the U.S. Navy as they have perpetually desecrated 'āina in Hawai'i for decades. This negligence for human life is truly shameful, and I urge you all to do better! There is not one single being who does not require clean water to survive, unless there are some who do enjoy the spicy taste of jet fuel, however, I doubt it. The entitlement of those who believe their priorities are held above residents who depend on this aquifer, speaks to the lack of regard the U.S. Navy has to protect their own families. If this is the case, who are they really protecting? I truly, from the bottom of my heart, can not comprehend the audacity of poisoning someone's water source. Access to clean water should **NOT** be political! What was the purpose of *The Lorax* if these lessons were not internalized? He pala naio maoli nō!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Me ke aloha i ka 'āina,
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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I take issue with Section 1, Paragraph 4: "The City Council finds that no underground storage tank or tank system that contains a large volume of petroleum product should be allowed to operate above a sole source aquifer on O'ahu unless it can be established that the tank will not release any regulated substance during its operating life." Is it up to the Navy to establish that the tanks won't leak? We've seen where that has led. This is a troublesome stipulation that leaves the door wide open for foot-dragging and almost certain pollution of our aquifer by Navy fuel—if it hasn't already occurred. The sentence should begin with "The City Council..." and end with "...aquifer on O'ahu." Eliminate that last phrase, or just go home.

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Written Testimony

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Committee
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Written Testimony I strongly support Bill 48. Shutting down Red Hill is long overdue. It is a health risk and the Navy has been grossly irresponsible.
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
I urge you to protect us all by regulating large underground storage tanks that threaten our most precious resource. This issue affects our entire island not just those currently seeing petroleum in their water. May we head the warning from Kaho'olawe's cracked water table, which has cause permanent damage and changed the ecology of the island forever. I strongly support Bill 48 and urge you to do the same. It is heartbreaking to learn the history of the Red Hill facility leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Please help to shut down Red Hill immediately to guarantee the safety of our water and entire ecosystem for our kids, grandkids, and generations to come.
Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council even though there will be challenges and set backs that must be navigated.

Please do the right thing,
Candice Frontiera

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

It breaks my heart to hear of people already getting sick from poisoned drinking water. Water is precious and priceless and we cannot compromise our drinking water. This will not only affect 400,000 people in Hawaii using that aquifer but all of oahu will have water diverted if our biggest source of water is compromised. We live on an island and have limited water. This is not an easy fix and we cannot wait any longer for important steps to save our precious drinking water. This is urgent and we must make decisions now.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important

measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Brenda Wong

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

E ola i ka wai. That should be the sentiment of every human, especially those living on this island (and across the pae 'āina). Geographically, we rely on limited resources so we must be smart and respectful in how we take care of these precious resources. Not just for right now, but for the future generations of Hawai'i. This not only affects a portion of the island, it will affect everyone on this island. Without clean, fresh water we will die. That's as real as it gets. As a native of this 'āina, it is my kuleana to help protect our natural resources and our Hawai'i. We cannot wait.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important

measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Kahealani Peleras

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Hawaii and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Laura Dvorak

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Hearing Date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Resolution 21-276

Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Hawaii and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Laura Dvorak

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Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu, water drinker, and mother. I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I have been hearing for decades about the red hill facility and thinking that it was a matter of time. It's exhausting to know something is impending but nothing is being done about it. When I listen to the testimony of the peoples who's water has been contaminated, especially the mothers, I cry. I am terrified for my child. My friends and I are now serving bottle water to our babies just to be safe. I am not a fan of bottled water, I have always been a tap water drinker and always felt fortunate to live in a place with such a wonderful source for water. But now we are scared and can no longer feel value and security in this resource. This is criminal, so many lives are at risk and at what cost.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Sarah

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

My name is Brennan Yamaguchi and I am 13 years old. I am familiar with law making when it is to help the good of the public as I co-created and passed Senate Bill 936 for seizure first aid notices this past summer with Senator Glenn Wakai.

I am now taking action to ask you to help ALL citizens and visitors by making sure we have clean water tanks and reserves for our people. This new bill will make sure our people stay safe.

I ask you please to do this for me as a student and youth of Oahu and the whole next generation of kids in Hawaii.

Thank you!

Brennan Yamaguchi (and family)

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization retired

Written Testimony

Thank you for hearing this bill. The Navy, hereinafter referred to as SNAFU, must immediately leave Red Hill and remove all the fuel from its tanks. While SNAFU (situation normal all fucked up) insists the tanks are vital for national security, it forgets that contamination will destroy the aquifer, that water is the source of life, and without it Oahu will be devoid of people and there will be no national interest to serve.

Although the Council seems to be moving forward, the Mayor's public comments today show him waffling. This is the wrong time for the mayor to be sitting on the fence or waffling. You have your work cut out for you.

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu in the area affected by the current shutdown of the BWS Halawa shaft, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The worst fears of grassroots advocates that have been fighting this battle for years, along with Mr. Ernest Lau at BWS, have been realized. The best time for city, state and federal officials to act decisively to protect our aquifer may have been ten years ago, but the second best time is today.

The Navy's effete actions and baldly contradictory statements show operational incapacity, confusion and ineptness that cannot be tolerated with so much at stake. They signaled they will treat the Governor's order as a request, and have shown little will to identify and contain the source of the leaks. We can't allow the foxes to guard the henhouse any longer. Our lives depend on it.

Such a crisis is decades in the making and there will be no easy fix, especially with the obfuscation and delay we are seeing from the responsible party. We must have strong action on many fronts, legal

and political. I urge council members to work closely with state legislators and pressure our congressional delegation to use their Build Back Better votes to ensure that replacement or removal of the tanks is initiated immediately at the cost of the Department of Defense.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Karen Shishido

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Although I was not directly affected by the Kapūkakī (Red Hill) crisis - this time! - I live in 'Ahupua'a Kalauao just a little mauka from Pu'uloa (Pearl Harbor). The contaminated water situation was deeply disturbing and way too close to home! If the gas leak had been just a little more severe this time, it could've poisoned me, my husband, our keiki, our dog, our friends and neighbors and kupuna. Next time, or maybe the time after that, we won't be that lucky - even the Navy admits it is only a matter of time and it could threaten the aquifer of our whole island. We must make sure this doesn't happen again and shut down Red Hill. Ola i ka wai, water is life! He waipuna, he wai inu, he wai e mana, he wai e ola, e ola nō ea!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Marian Chau

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony I support bill 48 and resolution 21-276 because the future preservation of Oahu and all Hawaiian islands depends on it. This fragile environment and all that inhabit these islands depend on it. The animals that live in and around the islands depend on it.

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I have lived in Hawaii for over 33 years and raised my daughter here. We are mindful of the precious and finite resources of these beautiful islands and as we love and care for the land, water and people, we are heartbroken and angry at the careless and greedy disregard for all that is sacred and cannot be replaced by man. Any human being who loves and appreciates the gifts of water, clean air, Mother Earth and all that nourishes and sustains us and our children would immediately know that the desecration and contamination of these beautiful islands by the military is unacceptable and must stop. As mothers and fathers it is our responsibility to protect our children, grandchildren and all of the keiki. In any healthy society that is what people do. They do not allow anyone to destroy the water and the natural elements that are life-giving. We have all had more than enough stress with the pandemic and other challenges. This is causing tremendous added stress not knowing if our water is safe, fearing that it is not and that we will find out after it is too late. The people and all of our relatives who live in the sea, the rivers, on Mother Earth and who fly do not deserve to be poisoned and to suffer. Enough is Enough!!!!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Barbara Altemus

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I strongly support Bill 48. The recent Red Hill Navy water fiasco has proven that large-scale tanks holding dangerous chemicals are not inherently safe for the our environmental and its inhabitants. Operators of large underground storage tanks need to prove they are competent and have stringent protocols in place to prevent disasters that affect everyone in the communities they are placed in. Our natural resources, and especially fresh water, are Hawaii's greatest resources. Please help protect them by passing this bill. Mahalo!

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

My name is Dr. Rosie Alegado and I'm an Associate Professor of Oceanography at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa in addition to serving as the Vice-Chair for the City and County of Honolulu Climate Change Commission. As a scientist, water drinker, and most importantly mother, I strongly support Bill 48, which requires any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. This legislation further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

My research involves monitoring the water quality of our coasts and I have taught Aquatic Pollution in the Global Environmental Science program for the past 6 years. In short, I have a strong understanding of the science of contamination of aquifers by petroleum hydrocarbons. One of the most unique aspects of the Hawaiian Islands as compared to other Pacific Islands was the formation of a dyke complex system millions of years ago that now provides 90% of our drinking water from these underground aquifers. O'ahu's age and geological formations have enabled the development of the City and supported many of the major economies (tourism and the military) that support our society - for better or worse, and they are now at risk.

While I would normally say that climate change poses the greatest risk

to humanity, there is currently no greater environmental risk to the people of O'ahu than the continued presence of fuel just 100 ft above one of our main sources of drinking water. The Red Hill facilities tanks are encased in aging concrete. The original steel liners have corroded over the past 80 years to be less than one-third of their original thickness in many places. The tanks have already leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since they were constructed and the Navy's own risk assessment from 2018 concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons over the next ten years is 96%. The Navy cannot prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Just as we only have 1 planet, we have only 1 Honolulu. One of the hardest questions I have ever had to answer is the one posed to me by my 9-year-old son, "Will I be able to live on this island when I grow up?" It is because of my children and our future generations that I feel absolutely compelled to speak out about this matter. There is unassailable evidence that if the Red Hill facility were not present, our primary aquifer would not be contaminated. The Navy has argued that the latest spill on November 20, 2021, was not due to the tanks, but it is abundantly clear that no leak would have happened at all - from a tank or antiquated pipes, had the facility been shut down and the fuel drained. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Aloha 'āina,
Rosie 'Anolani Alegado

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Written Testimony Ola I ka wai!!!
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

It is terrifying how easily the Navy has gotten away with poisoning our water, our land, and our people with no remorse. They have done nothing to make amends to our community, and have barely even done anything to support their own. Further contamination would absolutely paralyze our island and would have negative ramifications that are too wide-spread to even quantify. How is it that we must come before you begging to keep our water supply safe, begging you to care if we survive?

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council. Please do the right thing and protect our

water, our land, and our lives.

Sincerely,
Leilani Maxera

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Written Testimony What happened with the Red Hill Fuel Tanks is a tragedy, a preventable tragedy. This is not a natural disaster as the Navy is claiming. It is a Navy-made disaster. It has affected the environment and people's physical and mental health. Something needs to be done about this - tanks need to be decommissioned. And we can never let something like this happen again. The land and Hawaii people need healing.

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Written
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Please accept my testimony in strong support of Bill 48 that would require any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City and prove that the tank will not leak substances to the environment. I am an educator born and raised in Mo'ili'ili. I have lived most of my life in the ahupua'a of Waikīkī, and am concerned about our future ability to live in Hawai'i's because of the threat these large tanks can pose to our water source. Life on O'ahu would not be possible without fresh water. We must keep our drinking water safe.

Mahalo for hearing my testimony.
Waynele Yu

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Written Testimony I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City.

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu in the area affected by the current shutdown of the BWS Halawa shaft, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The worst fears of grassroots advocates that have been fighting this battle for years, along with Mr. Ernest Lau at BWS, have been realized. The best time for city, state and federal officials to act decisively to protect our aquifer may have been ten years ago, but the second best time is today.

The Navy's effete actions and baldly contradictory statements show operational incapacity, confusion and ineptness that cannot be tolerated with so much at stake. They signaled they will treat the Governor's order as a request, and have shown little will to identify and contain the source of the leaks. We can't allow the foxes to guard the henhouse any longer. Our lives depend on it.

Such a crisis is decades in the making and there will be no easy fix, especially with the obfuscation and delay we are seeing from the responsible party. We must have strong action on many fronts, legal

and political. I urge council members to work closely with state legislators and pressure our congressional delegation to use their Build Back Better votes to ensure that replacement or removal of the tanks is initiated immediately at the cost of the Department of Defense.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Stephanie Chang

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Your position on the matter Support
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Written Testimony

Aloha, as a resident of Hawai'i I understand the importance of having clean usable water. Especially here where resources can be limited at times. What has happened at Red Hill is unacceptable and should be treated as such. The navy needs to shut down red hill before irreparable damage is done, if that hasn't happened already. Thousands of people are without daily use and drinkable water and the contamination continues to spread. These tanks shouldn't have been placed here in the first place and it is able time there are regulations and requirements to try to do so. These resources are precious and sometimes irreplaceable, we need too start treating them with care and priority. The livelihoods of people, communities, and the future generations are at stake. I support Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276. Mahalo

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of the ahupua'a of Waikīkī, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

It is unacceptable, especially during the holidays, that families have been displaced because of lack of access to safe, clean drinking water.

The Red Hill facility – the deteriorated, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,
Alessandra Shea

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

I submit this testimony as an individual. As a resident of O'ahu and the Chair of the Makiki/Lower Punchbowl/Tantalus Neighborhood Board, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City and County of Honolulu. This measure further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. I believe that ought not permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger to pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

Hawai'i is renowned for its excellent water. Traveling elsewhere one often has to consider the purity and safety of water you might drink. We should take pride in and protect our excellent water and not risk contaminating it.

The Red Hill facility has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill entirely and as quickly as possible is the best way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the Council.

Sincerely,
Ian Ross

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Written Testimony

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Aloha,

Written
Testimony

I strongly support Bill 48, requiring a City permit for any storage tanks holding 100,000 gallons or more and to prove it will not leak into the environment. Our environment is crucial to survivability of all people, plants, animals, and bugs that depend on one another. Ecological collapse is very real and we must protect the lands and waters from neglect, misuse and abuse at all costs. The land and waters are our mothers. we are all ancient peoples who grew from her. 10s of thousands of years she has provided. It is our turn to provide back. Especially today when she is in trouble from modern industrial complexes. we owe it to our ancestors and to our future generations. We owe it to the many endemic species we have lost to learn from it and adjust path.

Also, please put all your weight into permanently and immediately shutting down the Red Hill fuel tanks. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Charles Simeona

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Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

To survive we need water. Clean safe water. As a woman born and raised in these Islands I know how being surrounded by salt water makes fresh clean water so important. The environment is what sustains us. We must protect the natural resources like clean toxin free water.

The elected officials need to act. There needs to be extreme action taken.

The file storage of this magnitude in clearly aged and compromised facility is a public health catastrophe waiting to happen.

The US Military has a track record for destroying the environment Kahoolawe, Micronesia... so many more. They clearly seem unable to clean up any mess they make and it is up to our local Government to raise the bar. Pass bill 48 and take the first step to protecting life.

Quite simply it is a matter of life and Health vs painful health issues and Death.

As a mother of 2 children I begg you. Protect clean water.

Please

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written Testimony I support both these items, because it makes sense to NOT have leaking fuel anywhere in our water system.

Thank you - Jen

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Written Testimony

In the 80-year history of the existence of the Red Hill fuel tanks, the U.S. Navy has demonstrated its unwillingness, incapability and lack of serious interest in protecting the aquifer just 100 feet under the facility. At least 73 leaks have been acknowledged during the history of the tanks. In just the past year, at least three significant leaks have occurred despite the Navy's assurances that the tanks are safe and it is capable of preventing any contamination of the aquifer. Since 2014, when a significant 27,000 gallon leak was disclosed, the Navy has been compelled to report to the public information about the safety of the tanks. Since then, it has not only consistently failed to report in the timely manner disruptions of service and leaks, but has been proven to have deliberately concealed unfavorable reports of operational failures to the detriment of the Department of Health, Board of Water Supply and the general public. It has clearly proven that regulation by an independent agency of government is required with authority to mandate substantial changes, including the removal of all fuel from the tanks, is both necessary and critical for the preservation of Oahu's primary water source.

It may already be too late to save the aquifer but the need for regulation of the fuel tanks by the City and County of Honolulu is essential to prevent further degradation of this once pristine and pure resource.

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Written Testimony In light of the resent leaks and contamination which has endangered and harmed citizens of Hawaii. It is imperative that council take action and shut down Red Hill. Our future is depending upon it.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Organization
Ho'opae Pono Peace Project

Written Testimony

We strongly support this measure. Ultimately, the United States Navy must take responsibility for the cleanup and restoration of all of the lands and waters damaged by its activities,, and actually withdraw its roxic occupation, which is a continued violation of International law and the human rights of the citizens of Hawai'i, whose legitimate, neutral, independent country should rightfully be caring for the water and other basic needs of its people.
This measure is an important step in this long process. All of the people of O'ahu and our future generations are in danger, and need protection immediately.
Me ka 'Oia'i'o,
Laulani Teale, MPH
Coordinator

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Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As someone who lives and works in the area serviced by the aquifer, I am extremely worried for the safety and security of our water now and into the future. This is not a resource we can afford to lose or continue to have poisoned. Our people and our environment deserve better.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Ashley

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Agenda Item: Bill 48

Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written Testimony

As a resident of government polluted waters i support O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

I am a resident of Lubbock, Texas. I am a retired US Army Captain. I worked in Logistics. Where we took environmental contaminations seriously. My community was impacted by a leak from US Air Force Base Reese. It was a leak of fire fighter foam into our water systems. Everyone in my community has water wells for their homes. They each

spent thousands of dollars to get water set up in their homes. It is all gone to waste now thanks to the DOD government admitting and polluting our water systems. Countless of people have had side effects from the polluted water ranging from but not limited to: cancer and having babies born with genetic defects. This did not only happen to us in Lubbock, Texas but it has also happened at Cannon Air Force Base in New Mexico. When will the government learn to stop. When is enough disaster going to be enough. This is still happening all over the nation. It is happening in O'ahu too. The DOD is never going to care about the sacrifice and torture of the community. Why? Because the side effects over power the benefits and needs of the DOD. But what they don't understand is that in order for these bases to get support from the community they must have the hearts and the minds of the locals. This is isn't happening. If what happened to us in Lubbock isn't a testimony that the DOD is a reckless and selfish entity then I dont know what is. I do not want peoples future children to pay the price for the governments wrongs. It is not the communities fault to pay for medical treatments due to contamination. To pay for a water filtration system to hopefully be potable again. Which will probably never be. Why? Because the DOD tried that here in Lubbock, Texas. Our water is still impacting our health and future family. I bet if the the presidents family were affected, there would be a different outcome to stop this. Local peoples matter. Lives matter. Future babies matter. Stop the nonsense of contamination in water systems. Keep above ground systems. Stop killing our planet just to try and gain a strategic war game advantage. We won't have anything to gain if we are all dead or sick. Or a planet on the brink of not sustaining life.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Mayela Ramirez, Retired Army Captain

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The Military Times has reported that at least 90 bases have contaminated water. <https://www.militarytimes.com/news/your-military/2019/09/11/these-90-army-posts-have-contaminated-drinking-water/> Sometimes, as in the case of Camp Lejeune the contamination is so bad as to require the VA to compensate for health care. <https://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/camp-lejeune/> Some will argue that while unfortunate this is the cost of defense and while that might be sustainable on the continental U.S. were water can be trucked or piped in, it is madness on an island.

Having grown up in a military family and then gone on to serve in the U.S. Army I've been exposed to both heavily treated and contaminated water. In the case of treated water cool-aid or lemon-aid become hot commodities to help get past the bad taste. A night of vomiting was the result of water transported in re-purposed fuel cans.

My past has made me particularly philosophically sensitive to

contaminated water issues and perhaps physically sensitive as well. Several weeks before military families reported contaminated water I was dealing with a lot of stomach problems. As the days went on I paid more attention to what I was consuming and when I felt bad. Eventually I noticed I felt the worst shortly after drinking the water from our tap. Days later the posts started on social media about Pearl Harbor military families finding their water smelled of fuel and had an oil-like sheen. I've been drinking purchased filtered water ever since and while I still don't feel great I am feeling better.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Erik Meade

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This bill is a good start.

- There needs to be something directive to the Navy to order them to defuel and repair all tanks to "double hulled / double walled" to better protect the aquifer.

Written Testimony

- A penalty / cost needs to be set for damaging the aquifer.

Something like, the Navy will be responsible for half of the cost of establishing a desalinization plant on Navy property if the aquifer is compromised.

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Honorable council members,

This has been an ongoing travesty. The Navy's leadership has continued to protect and defend the support of maintaining Red Hill storage tanks. Yet. Upon review, would they, would any of them allow someone into their home to pour POISON into their drinking water? I think not.

Written
Testimony

Their response to the grim tragedy of the Red Hill leakage by flushing the contaminants into storm drains was not only a violation of the law, but an astounding lack of regard for the environment and possibly a flagrant disregard for all living things. The act of flushing out the system was so ludicrous I could have laughed, if it weren't so horrifying. The Navy, the US military, should have some of the best scientific minds in their ranks. This was their only choice?

Water is life, but with the existence of the Red Hill storage tanks, water is now death. Drain their contents, using appropriate and safe methods, into a tanker trucks, and move those trucks onto their ships.

I live on a neighboring island. I have been watching this issue for a few years now. This is not an Oahu problem, this is an entire problem for all our beautiful islands, as we ultimately share the same water and ocean. Also, to be clear, this is not a bell jar. Our handling of this monstrous situation will be a reflection of our humanity.

Respectfully,

D Austin
Kihei, Maui

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Council-members, As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

For me personally, being born and raised on Molokai, our kupuna taught us the importance of clean water no ke OLA (for life, health, thriving). Without it no plants or animals on 'aina or in our kai and no kānaka (humans) will survive! So this contamination affects everyone! I now reside on the windward side of O'ahu, but I know that it's only a matter of time before we experience personally the direct impact of this crises. When water shafts are shut down because of the Navy's irresponsibility, they will need to take water from the east & west sides of O'ahu. Clean Wai has to come from somewhere! The recording shown on the local news of tap water being poured in a cup and this sheen of fuel sitting on the surface smoking as it was being torched, is a picture to me of the Navy and it's hiddenness for years finally being brought to the surface for all to see!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the

only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people!

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Keoki Nanod-Sitch

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Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Water is life is not just a slogan. It is the truth. Honolulu has tolerated the life threatening situation at Red Hill for too long. Let's act now. No more delays. Hold the Navy accountable.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Our water needs to be protected now! . I do not want my house, the basis of my retirement, to devalue because the water from my taps cannot be used. Poisoning our water will ruin Oahus economy. we will not be another Flint, MI

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Cassidy Bennett

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Council Members,

I am writing in support of Bill 48 and urge action on this important issue. I want to thank the council for the work they have done this year, and thank you for the time spent on this important issue. However, I do believe that the issue highlights our tendency to be reactive, rather than proactive in matters of public health and the environment. I encourage more proactive measures and ordinances from City Council in the future.

Written Testimony

As a resident who is not currently impacted by the Red Hill fuel tanks, I find myself turning on my water in the morning, filling a glass, and taking a second look at the water. I check for a sheen and try to determine if there is fuel in my water. Despite knowing about Red Hill and it's threats for years, I never dreamed this would happen and I am heartbroken that our water is permanently tainted. I breathe a sigh of relief knowing my water does not exhibit signs of petroleum contamination, but also feel heart brake for anyone who has not been so lucky.

As City Council, you also have some fiscal responsibility for the Board of Water Supply. I believe they have done an outstanding job over the past years, and I am so thankful to have BWS leadership. I strongly encourage and support any future ordinance that increases their resources to ensure they can adequately test water supplies, pay their currently underpaid employees more, and continue to protect our drinking water.

With gratitude and aloha,
Monique Schafer

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Council members,

Written
Testimony

I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City and that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We cannot allow underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Having been raised in Hawaii and raising our children in Hawaii, I cannot accept that gross negligent actions might risk the ability to have future generations be able to thrive here. Contaminated water puts millions at risk of increased illness, threaten the ability to grow food and impacts all aspects of life here.

The Red Hill facility, with their inadequate and ancient fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for discussing this

important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Pamela K Omidyar

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization non

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Council members,

As a Human resident on these islands and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

With great distress I am just learning about situation with Red Hill and the fuel tanks this month. The Facility's tanks, each with a 12.5 million-gallon capacity, had a quarter-inch thick steel liner when first constructed nearly 80 years ago. They are encased in aging concrete and sit 100 feet above O'ahu's drinking water aquifer. These steel liners have been corroding to the point where many through-wall holes have been found and are now less than one-third of their original thickness in some places. It is even more distressing that there are people who have known of this and never did anything to deal with it sooner. It is a new day when we all accept that the Military has an agenda and it is not for the safety of the people or this earth. The fact that the Navy wants to contest this disaster is an issue of genocide, the effects that are irreversible at this point.

The question of the United States illegal occupation and the agenda is very clear. We know that all of this destruction is not new but it must not continue. To the Military the land, people and waters are

disposable and for their consumption even to the point of poisoning everyone. Yet there is silence no more and your voice and power must be used to it's full capacity in this situation. Red Hill must be dealt with right now and hold the Navy accountable for stopping this disaster and being accountable to deal with it properly.

The monstrosity of these tanks and the experimental building and maintaining of them is a catastrophic. I would imagine that this would never happen again and why it has never happened any where else in America. Please pass this bill that would prevent such violations of life on earth to happen. My mind cannot fathom the terror that these fuel tanks can have and the irreversible damage that has already happened. Please protect the people from future building insanity. No building should happen upon any water systems on any of these islands ever.

Ua Mau ke Ea o ka 'Āina i ka Pono. Please keep us informed on this catastrophic issue and what we can do to help shut down Red Hill immediately. Thank you for your crucial work and service. The Red Hill facility, the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Blessings, Pahnelopu McKenzie

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Water is life (literally), especially when living on an island. It is a necessary and precious resource that should be taken seriously to be protected.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility ("Facility") is a prime example of how a leaky underground storage tank can threaten our most precious resource.

The DOH has concluded that the storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, is inherently dangerous.

Time is way overdue to take critical action to hold strict accountability to those responsible for these tanks.

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Committee
Agenda Item bill 48
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

The bill addresses the current Navy water contamination problem, but section 1, paragraph 4 is problematic. Is the Navy who will determine if their underground tank is safe? How anyone determine that the tank would be safe forever? I'm sure that at one point, the tanks at Red Hill weren't leaking. But over time, any material degrades. There should be no large fuel tanks allowed over the acquirer. And more rigorous inspection of service station should should also be considered, since many of them obviously sit directly over the acquirer as well. As on King ?Street.

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a Kanaka Maoli and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Our water source is precious and there have already been three spills just this year. We must be cautious, most of Oahu's aquifers are interconnected underground and there is no case study on how to remove petroleum from one. Red Hill needs to be drained immediately.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Keoni DeFranco

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I strongly support bill 48. The city should do whatever it can to regulate the red hill fuel tanks and any other underground storage of dangerous substances. Our water is too important to play games with #olaikawai #shutdownredhill

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I have been hearing local activist groups sound the alarm about Red Hill for some time. Now, we find ourselves exactly where they warned us—contaminated water and sick residents. This is just yet another example of the US Navy's negligence and lack of aloha for the land they occupy in Hawai'i.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Ali Hanna

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item 48 (2021)
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

It is hard for me to even imagine putting fuel tanks so close to aquifers was even allowed to begin with. In the world we live in today, where one of the most valuable natural resources one can have been accessed to drinking water, having such a hazard to a big supply of water is not acceptable. The concern goes beyond the personal level given that an issue like such can have a massive environmental impact and deals with the health of a big population. On 28 July 2010, through Resolution 64/292, the United Nations General Assembly explicitly recognized the human right to water and sanitation and acknowledged that clean drinking water and sanitation are essential to the realization of all human rights. The Resolution calls upon States and international organizations to provide financial resources, help capacity-building and technology transfer to help countries to provide safe, clean, accessible, and affordable drinking water and sanitation for all. This basic human right seems to have been forgotten and it is imperative that we take action.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Bruno E. Vieira

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Organization
Hui o Kuapā

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of Moloka'i and born and raised on O'ahu it is still another home to me as my father still resides there and as we are all water drinkers, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger than pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Tanya Maile Naehu

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

I am a retired Naval Officer and long-time resident of Oahu, and while I am proud of my service and that of my fellow service members, this situation represents an egregious example of long-term and willful neglect. The negative impact on service members, O'ahu residents, native Hawaiians, and our beloved 'Aina cannot be overstated. This is, indeed, a crisis and simply must be accounted for.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Foster Righter

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

The Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility tanks have leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since they were constructed and the Navy's own risk assessment from 2018 concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons (independent of any earthquake risk) over the next ten years is 96%. The Navy cannot prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We need long-term mitigation strategies to protect our most precious resource.

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Agenda Item	Bill 48
Your position on the matter	Support
Representing Organization	Self
Written Testimony	Strong Support for Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276. Our drinking water is threatened! The Navy must drain the tanks as soon as possible!
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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha mai,
As a resident of Moloka'i that travels to O'ahu often for work and as a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written Testimony The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Hanohano Naehu

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

I am the parent of an 8 month old baby. I have always imagined him growing up in these islands – a place I have been lucky to call home. With the imminent threat of petroleum poisoning in our water, I wonder if we will be able to stay in Hawai'i. I have spoken to military parents whose children have grown ill because of the contamination at JBPHH. It is heart breaking on the personal level and terrifying to think that our entire aquifer could be poisoned just as quickly. I love my home here. I love my family. I want to do what is best for my baby. Please help to assure that O'ahu is a livable place for my family by taking this essential step to assure clean water.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting

systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Laurel Nakanishi

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

I have lived in Hawai'i my whole life and I always envisioned my children and grandchildren being able to live here too. However, this kind of water contamination will make life here impossible. The Red Hill facility was built in my parents' generation. The antiquated fuel tanks and pipelines have already leaked many times. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Ernesto Nakanishi

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As a resident of Hawaii since birth, it hurts to see our water, some that should be the purest in the world, contaminated by outsiders. I no longer feel safe consuming the most basic necessity. Myself and my community feel like we are poisoning our bodies, and I'm especially worried about the elders and children.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Chloe Ma

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

It's outrageous that this has happened as long as it has, and now a countless number of lives are at risk. There is no substitute for pure water. Ola i ka wai.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Aina Paikai

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Transportation, Sustainability and Health
Agenda Item bill 48, resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha,

Written
Testimony

Red Hill tanks polluting the water in the aquifer right below it is affecting those I love and care about. One in particular cannot even take a shower in her own home because she is getting skin reactions that brought her in the urgent care and had to get steroid shots to calm the reaction down. Without clean water, there is no life. Prioritize the health and safety of the community! There is no reason to delay the shut down or eradication of the tanks that have been causing issues, threatening the community and environment for years. The navy has nothing to contest, it must be dealt with immediately, it's a no-brainer. Let's reassess our priorities to put the people and the land first before the military. Going forward, let's put bill 48 into action, to prevent this from happening ever again. Thank you for reading my testimony, please consider.

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Subject: Public Safety Testimony

Written Testimony

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Meeting Date 12-13-2021
Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Red hill bill
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Written Testimony Please protect our drinking water !!!!
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Bill 48 Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

We must protect our waters and our communities!
Water is life!

Written Testimony May we save our aina and people!
It's upto us to save our earth and humanity!
Shut down Redhill

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item	Shut down red hill
Your position on the matter	Support
Representing Organization	Self
Written Testimony	I support shutting down storage of full at red hill to protect the environment and water supply for Oahu.
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony Aloha mai kakou,
I strongly support all actions taken to protect the wai supply of our moku. E 'olu 'olu, let our city stand up strong and demand that the U.S.military does everything and pay everything it can to avert this humanitarian crisis in the making. Ola ka wai, water is life.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers.

As a state resident living on Kauai, when I am on Oahu for various reasons, including visiting family, I do not drink the water and have not since the 2014 leak at Red Hill. That leak was not recovered and I was aware that it would eventually percolate down to the water table and contaminate it.

I am a Sierra Club member and have submitted letters and testimony over the years about the leaking fuel tanks sitting on the aquifer. We know of 180,000 gallons that have leaked. There likely has been much more than that and yet nothing has been done. It was only a matter of time till the aquifer became contaminated and I have never understood how, or why, that has been left to happen or how the U. S. Navy has been so unconcerned about it, ignoring the obvious potential of a poisoned aquifer, and finally offering the easiest and cheapest fixes. Never agreeing to remove the tanks. The tanks must be relocated.

Written
Testimony

The Navy has not been forthcoming about the situation ever and we have found that they were aware of the recent contamination 3 days prior to admitting it. By this time families and pets on Base Housing were ingesting toxic petroleum products in their water and many became sick.

There is no excuse for this. None.

In fact the entire aquifer may already be past remediation. We hope not and we must do everything in our power in the meantime to prevent that, if it is not already too late.

Thank you for your understanding the ramifications of not moving every tank off Red Hill and that it is imperative that they must be removed.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony Water is life. We cannot live for long without water. We just regulate and protect the precious drinking water of O'ahu. Take action and protect the public health and well-being.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Transportation, Sustainability and Health
Agenda Item 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha city councilmembers. Thank you Councilmember Cordero and Waters for the introduction of this bill. Today I would like to testify in support of Bill 48.

Do you remember what it felt like when you first truly fell in love with the ocean? The hot sun, salty water, and the feeling of being truly - on a spiritual level - connected with the world around you? Do you remember that first drink of cold water after a hot day? Feeling the icy water flowing down and cooling your core? Do you remember the first time you saw a farm? All the animals and plants being flooded with fresh water? What about that home cooked meal you think about every so often?

Written Testimony Can you imagine if tomorrow, literally tomorrow, generations of children will never experience that the same way you did? Councilmembers, would you be able to forgive yourself if you knew you could secure that future for these children, but you voted against it?

Bill 48 is a small step towards the larger goal of ensuring our freshwater is clean while at the same time ensuring we're not dumping fuel into our oceans. But Bill 48 is a step. And it's a step in the right direction which is more than what can be said of most actions taken since the initial leakage in 2014.

Kakou, do we need to wait until someone dies before we do something? I'm not willing to. I sure hope you arent either.

Mahalo.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Red hill
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization

Fix this. Water is not only sacred, it is a representation of life through out and across many cultures. Regardless of culture, it is inhumane to poison the land and it's people.

Written Testimony A'ole Pono.

All I can say on behalf of this nightmare is kala Mai. Bring the light.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Written Testimony Residents of Honolulu County should not be scared of their drinking water.
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Subject: Public Safety Testimony

Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support

Representing Self

Organization

Written Testimony The aquifer must be protected. Our families and children deserve clean water. Because of our water needs and O'ahu's growth there is a larger amount of water required. Now it is the time to remove this horrendous amount of poisonous fluids from Red Hill first and foremost and move them somewhere else which is not a threat to lives. We must stop storing these type of volatile fuels in lava porous islands in concrete capsules. Do the right thing!

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
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Representing Self
Organization
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Council Members,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

E Ola I ka Wai, Water is life. I truly agree upon this and even the scientific community agrees that water is vital to our everyday life. Water is important not only for human beings but for animals, and plant life as well. I can't simply imagine what would happen if the fuel further poisoned our water system affecting everyone in the community as well as our ecosystem. I am worried each time I take a bath, brush my teeth, wash the dishes, wash my clothes, and use the water for cooking, I often wonder whether our water is contaminated just like what was happening in the military houses. We can't simply rely on plastic water bottle because that is a band aid solution when we can do something that will actually make changes such as passing Bill 48. Water bottles will not sustain everyone on O'ahu, and we can't simply ratio that along with the tourists. The use of water bottle will also impose another issue which is waste. Why are we taking a roundabout when the solution is simple and has long been right in front of us. If the Navy cannot ensure the safety of everyone—the tanks need to be defueled. I hope everyone will make the right the decision and choose the people of Hawai'i. All of us are affected. The well being of the people as well as the environment is at risk. We can no longer watch a catastrophe to further unfold when we can take action NOW.

The Red Hill facility—the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems—has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Sheila R.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item red hill gas Removal
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Written Testimony need to remove the gas before it fuks up everybody's water
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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Bill. 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony As a living Creature on o’ahu, I ask that you support Bill 48. AND go even FURTHER to protect any future contamination of life giving water and other natural resources in the Hawaiian Islands. Thank you.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Decommission Red Hill Fuel Facility Forever!!
Protect the waters of this world and the peoples whose land you occupy as colonial and military forces.

Written Testimony As the world continues to battle the reality of climate change at the hands of the richest and global north, we must not speed up the destruction of our planet by ripping up the land and polluting the water.

To let this go is to clearly state that you have no interest in the safety, health, and - ultimately - life of any generation beyond this current one.

This is selfish and cruel.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha, my name is Alana Freitas and I am writing in support of Bill 48, which will require any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City.

Since I first learned about the fuel leaking into the water at Red Hill, I have been anxious, afraid, and concerned for my own safety and the safety of many of my students who live in military housing. I have been monitoring myself and my family members for side effects, which we should not have to do. We should be able to trust our water.

The problem has not resolved since the public has been informed of the contaminated water and the Navy has proven it cannot be trusted on its own to resolve this problem as quickly as it needs to be.

Written Testimony

I am asking you to step in and to do something about this, because you can.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

These tanks have leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since they were constructed and the Navy’s own risk assessment from 2018 concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons (independent of any earthquake risk) over the next ten years is 96%. The Navy cannot prove that the tank or tank system will

not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Mahalo,
Alana Freitas

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

I have been fed by the waters of O'ahu for all of my life. I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. This is an important step towards protecting our island's waters. This bill represents a minimum standard that we should accept for the safety of our water supply. The issue of these tanks is not a question of if but when they will leak again. This bill will help to set a better precedent for the protection of our waters beyond Red Hill to other places in Hawai'i and elsewhere. As a Kanaka 'Ōiwi, I painfully feel for these waters that have been contaminated and for all of the people who have felt the psychological trauma of having their life source poisoned by a Navy that will leave when they no longer see a reason to stay in Hawai'i. We are the ones who will face the long term consequences. Mahalo for taking strong action now.

Ke aloha nui,
Vance Kaleohano Farrant

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Taylour Chang

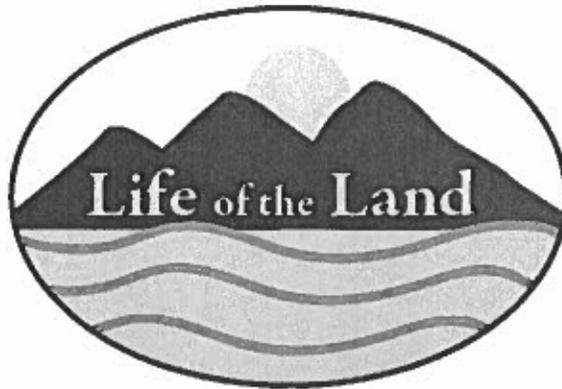
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Agenda Item	Bill 48
Your position on the matter	Support
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Hearing Date: Dec. 15, 2021
Council Special Meeting
Agenda Item: Bill 48, Resolution 21-276
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Life of the Land is Hawai'i's own energy, environmental and community action group advocating for the people and 'āina for 51 years. Our mission is to preserve and protect the life of the land through sound energy and land use policies and to promote open government through research, education, advocacy and, when necessary, litigation.

It is critically important that we protect our aquifers and our water supply.

During the 1990s, kids in Village Park (Waipahu) had health issues due to some type of chemical contamination. Life of the Land worked with community members in seeking answers. The State Legislature provided funding for soil testing. We were impressed with the **Honolulu Board of Water Supply**'s willingness to go beyond the call, to engage with communities in publicly identifying contaminants in the water system that were then filtered out.

Red Hill's fuel tanks are single lined with inadequate monitoring systems. A pipeline transfers the fuel between the fuel annex and Pearl Harbor. The system lies above the most important

water aquifer on Oahu. Corrosion of tanks and pipes have caused leaks and future leaks will occur until the problem is dealt with.

Life of the Land's Executive Director served as Community Co-Chair of the Hickam Air Force Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) from 1996 to 2005 when the Waikakalaua Fuel Storage Annex (Wahiawa), the Kipapa Gulch Fuel Storage Annex (Waipio), and the 20-mile Hickam Petroleum, Oils and Lubricants pipeline to Hickam Air Force Base was shut down and cleanout out. The pipeline passed over or under the Red Hill pipeline near Hickam Air Force Base. The tanks and pipeline system were built during WW2 to provide fuel security in the event of a Japanese attack.

Over a period of fifty years, 18 billion gallons of gasoline, aviation fuel, and later, JP-4 and JP-8 jet fuel were sent up into the complex, 14 billion gallons were removed, and, according to the military, the other 4 billion gallons were lost due to ground leaks, evaporation, bad accounting, and theft.

Life of the Land's Executive Director also served on the Pearl Harbor Restoration Advisory Board that monitored the Pearl Harbor Sediment study and served on the Scholfield Barracks Technical Review Committee. The Army unsuccessfully searched for sources of Trichloroethylene (TCE: C_2Cl_3H) contaminating the groundwater. A water filtration system was constructed.

The aquifers are the source of drinking water for much of the State. They must be protected from negligent and careless actions, especially sole source aquifers. Hawai'i was given a national exemption from dangerous pesticides on the basis that our geological structure would prevent contaminants from getting into the groundwater. That premise failed to be true. Let's not make the same mistake with petroleum contamination.

Mahalo,
Henry Curtis
Executive Director

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill048(21) & Res21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chairman Waters and Council Members.

Thank you for this opportunity to give public in-put.

My name is Irene Zane. I was born and raised on the island of Oahu and lived in Hawaii my entire life. I am now retired from the Hawaii Department of Education and reside in Nuuanu.

I've been following the local news on television, online, and in print, about the Navy's obvious mismanagement of the Navy's Red Hill Bulk Fuel Tanks storage facility that has resulted in the water catastrophe we find ourselves in today.

Written
Testimony

Enough is enough! We, the people of Oahu, especially of Honolulu, are watching in "real time", the Navy's actions (or lack of action) that SHOW, in this instance, the priority of the Navy. As we can SEE, the priority is NOT about the health and well being of Hawaii's people or the environment. For example, the Navy STILL has not made plans to de-fuel the Red Hill tanks which sits 100 feet above what used to be our clean, drinking water aquifer, nor have they made plans to remove the fuel tanks and shutdown the facility permanently.

THE DANGER OF OUR DRINKING WATER SOURCE STILL PERSISTS TODAY AND FOR AS LONG AS THE NAVY'S FUEL TANKS REMAIN 100 FEET ABOVE OUR AQUIFER.

I'm REALLY upset! Enough is enough!

I fully SUPPORT Bill048(21) and Res21-276! "Thank You!" for taking action to help the people of Honolulu and Oahu.

Respectfully,
Irene Zane

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

My family are Native Hawaiians who are born and raised on the island of O'ahu. Those who reside elsewhere are planning to move back home within the next few years. How can they safely make this decision when the U.S. Military contaminates the water? My grandfather grew up in Ewa Beach and because a Green Beret for the U.S. Army. Is this how the military treats their own? Furthermore, the U.S. Military is a GUEST on Native Hawaiian lands. We have limited resources on this earth and the military continues to treat our land and our water with no care about the consequences. How can this still be happening?

Written Testimony I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

What is the future that we are promising our children? The military is poisoning our lands, our waters, and our future. This needs to end or what is there to live for?

Mahalo,
Lehuanani

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48 "Relating to Underground Storage Tanks and Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I strongly support the passage of Bill 48 "Relating to Underground Storage Tanks (To protect the purity of Oahu's Groundwater)" and Resolution 21-276 "Urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility Underground Storage Tanks." I am very glad that the Honolulu City Council is holding this special meeting to address these two actions that need to be established and enforced for the health and safety of all residents on Oahu.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

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Written
Testimony

We can't assure that the Navy will act responsibly moving forward. They have and possibly will hide any leaks again in the future. There are families that have drunk the contaminated water unknowingly and were sick, some even sent to the hospital. The Navy has to be held responsible for these tanks and any risks that they may have on the community and the environment.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Rena Shishido

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Honolulu County Council | December 2, 2021
Bill 48 – Testimony in Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Members of the County Council,

My name is Camile Cleveland, and I am submitting testimony in support of Bill 48 on behalf of the Surfrider Foundation O'ahu Chapter and our thousands of volunteers, members and supporters. The Surfrider Foundation is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of our ocean, waves, and beaches. Surfrider maintains a network of over 180 chapters and student clubs nationwide, including 4 chapters in the Hawaiian Islands. The Surfrider Foundation focuses on many aspects of the environment such as coastal protection, plastic pollution, and water quality.

We are testifying in support of Bill 48 in order to ensure Oahu's primary drinking supply does not continue to be contaminated with petroleum.

Clean drinking water is a basic right for all people, and ensuring that "no underground storage tank or tank system that contains a large volume of petroleum product should be allowed to operate above a sole source aquifer on O'ahu unless it can be established that the tank will not release any regulated substance during its operating life" is an important and logical step in order to maintain that right for the people of O'ahu.

The large petroleum tanks at Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility have been leaking tens of thousands of gallons of fuel for over twenty years, fuel which inherently seeps into the nearby aquifer and enters our island's **primary source of drinking water**. Based on the Quantitative Risk and Vulnerability Assessment of the Facility quoted in the Bill, which was prepared for the Navy in 2018, we have near certainty (a 96% risk) of an acute leak happening in the next ten years. The knowledge that there undoubtedly be continued leaks from the tanks is a clear sign that they should be better regulated and decommissioned **for the safety and health of the island's people**.

This bill is a critical measure to ensure clean drinking water for a majority of the population of O'ahu and to avoid a massive health and safety crisis on the island. Thank you for your consideration of this testimony in strong support of Bill 48, submitted on the behalf of the Surfrider Foundation's O'ahu Chapter and all of our members and supporters.

With aloha,
Camile Cleveland
Surfrider Foundation O'ahu
Policy Coordinator

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Councilmembers,

Written Testimony

I support Bill 48 which highlights the threat and risk the Red Hill underground fuel storage tanks pose to our precious water supply and would require the operator to provide proof of no leakage and safety to obtain a permit. We've known years that the Red Hill fuel tanks leak but what is an acceptable tolerance for the Navy has not been acceptable to the residential communities who would be impacted by fuel contamination and poisoning to our drinking water. For several years the community has demanded above ground relocation and not secondary containment, and immediate action verse 25-years down the road. This situation can only get worse with the continued operation of the Red Hill underground fuel storage tanks. The Navy should look at other portable temporary fuel storage tanks on ships for the time being until something safer above ground can be built.

Mahalo,
Dave Watase

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Environmental Caucus of The Democratic Party of Hawai'i

December 14, 2021

The Honorable Tommy Waters, Chair, and
Members of the Honolulu City Council
Honolulu Hale
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Re: Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276

Aloha, Chair Waters and Members of the Council:

Ever since the Environmental Caucus was established within the Democratic Party of Hawai'i in 2012, we have been sounding the alarm about the serious environmental dangers of the U.S. Navy's fuel storage tanks at Red Hill. We, therefore, appreciate that the City Council is now poised to make decisive statements demanding the immediate removal of the tanks to a location away from the people's Moanalua and Waimalu aquifers that supply so much of the drinking water that is essential to the human (and animal and plant) life of this entire Island that we all call home.

We agree with the statements in Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276. However, there is more that needs to be done outside the scope of these measures. First, the City Council must take whatever appropriate measures needed to ensure that the health and safety of the public will be protected with respect to the aquifers. This broad goal includes continued strong support of Ernest Lau and his staff at the Board of Water Supply; it includes applying strong pressure on Hawaii's state agencies and the Legislature; it includes – especially – ensuring that our Congressional Delegation reflect a greater sense of urgency about this situation than they have until the last few days.

We need to see adequate federal funding for prompt and safe removal of the fuel tanks and their contents away from the aquifers. Now. Not 20 or 30 years from now. Contamination cannot be "cured" by massive flushing of polluted water into our Pearl Harbor estuary and ocean waters. The costs of clean-up are likely to be on the order of \$5 billion to \$10 billion. That is a drop in the bucket, as far as the Pentagon budget is concerned. Next year alone it will be around \$765 billion for just one year. You must also ensure that the people of Oahu are properly recompensed for all environmental damages to the aquifers that cannot be remediated. The aquifers are a public trust, and you are stewards of that public trust. Any funds recovered need to be applied to remediation of the aquifers.



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There is also a very important public education role where your leadership is essential. Those of us who spend so much of our time – too much of our time – focusing on issues of public affairs, are acutely conscious of the magnitude of the disaster that we are facing and the likelihood that we will have to endure many years of water shortages and rationing, which will have negative effects on housing developments and the local economy, all on top of what Covid-19 is already doing to us. We expect that many of our fellow residents are not fully aware of the gravity of the situation. They need to know, for everyone's sake. The Honolulu City Council and the Neighborhood Boards need to work in a coordinated and focused way to educate the public about the seriousness of this situation and what everyone needs to do to cooperate to make this situation better.

There will be much more to do in the coming months, even years. This is an enormous undertaking. We will do what we can to support your efforts to protect our environment, our aquifers, and our public health.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Very truly yours,

Melodie R. Aduja

Alan B. Burdick

Co-chairs,
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Jamie Ku

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

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Testimony

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I am very concerned about this issue. Clean water is essential to all life and I am shocked that the US Navy is putting our communities into jeopardy with their continued negligence. Please do everything you can to assure the health and safety of our island communities by shutting down the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
Alex

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As rightly stated in Bill 48, the City and County of Honolulu has a public trust duty to protect the purity of Oahu's groundwater. As further noted in this bill, the Navy's underground storage tanks at the Facility have a long history of leaking. Recent Navy reports reveal that the tanks have already contaminated groundwater beneath the Facility. I support Bill 48 which stipulates that no underground storage tank or tank system that contains a large volume of petroleum product should be allowed to operate above a sole source aquifer on Oahu unless it can be established that the tank will not release any regulated substance during its operating life. However, Bill 48 needs to go further and specifically declare a permanent removal and relocation of the Navy's Red Hill bulk fuel storage facility underground storage tanks. These tanks have already leaked and should never have been allowed to be built above our precious aquifer. Navy officials have proven they cannot be trusted to protect our water. They have repeatedly lied and tried to cover up their crimes. They have made Hawaii yet another one of their sacrifice zones and have shown they don't even care about the well-being of their own military service members. It is clear that every minute we delay in the decommissioning of these tanks we are risking an even worse catastrophe. It's time to shut down this facility NOW before this crisis gets any worse.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sherry Pollack
Oahu resident and water drinker

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

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Written
Testimony

Unfortunately, we are now in a reactive period to a preventable disaster. What will we do to prevent further catastrophe? The Halawa shaft providing water to Honolulu is already closed and may be closed permanently due to the Navy's negligence, misinformation, and lack of accountability. If this Bill does not pass, if the Navy continues to defy the state's orders to remove the fuel from Red Hill, I fear we are not moving fast enough when spills have and continue to happen, as we don't know the extent of the irreparable damage to our environment. Skimming the surface for contamination is not enough. Families are sick. We know this is unacceptable, which is what we're being told by elected officials and the Navy alike. We are already facing a health crisis due to the pandemic. Now we are facing the ongoing crisis of Red Hill. What we cannot accept is the continued operation of the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility. What we cannot accept is the Navy willing to poison us all, after poisoning their own, in the name of national security.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Joseph Han

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Water touches every aspect of our lives. We cook, we clean, and we drink Hawai'i's naturally clean water. One of the earliest lessons I remember from school was how our water connects the mountains to the sea. Mauka to Makai. The poison and taint from Red Hill will not be segmented to one section of Oahu, this catastrophe will affect all. Our aquifers used to hold some of the purest water on earth. We had eight decades to avoid this catastrophe but due to negligence we're now squarely in this nightmare. The impact of this disaster is hard to fathom and difficult to process. I grieve for our water, it feels like a family member has died. Friends and family are now fearful they will need to move off island in the future because of this disaster. We are terrified, we are angry, and we mourn. Please do the right thing and ensure Bill 48 comes to pass.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Military presence in the Hawaiian archipelago has wrought an immense amount of environmental destruction, from the cracked water table of Kaho'olawe, to the bombing of Pohakuloa and Makua Valley, to the leaking fuel tanks sitting atop Red Hill. Bill 48 directly addresses the latter of these issues by requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. As a concerned resident of Oahu, I urge the passing of Bill 48 to place regulations on the amount of destruction any entity is allowed to cause to our island home and the resources we all share and rely on. Please stand up to protect our precious water resources by passing this bill. Mahalo.

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Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

This is our people and our waters, you need to be able protect us from further contaminations. We are important, we matter.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Nikolina

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

I'm writing to you as an attorney, a native Hawaiian, a mother of two, and an extremely concerned resident of the ahupua'a of Kona, O'ahu -- to strongly support Bill 48.

Written
Testimony

The aging Red Hill tanks are an immediate and imminent threat to our safety and our future. We are so fortunate to live in a place with an abundant supply of pure, fresh water -- but that gift is now being poisoned.

Please protect our most precious and vital resource.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify today.

Sincerely,
Marissa (Luning) Grad

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha kākou,

I am writing in support of both Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276.

Failing to address the risk posed by Red Hill fuel storage and any future underground tanks is betting against our future health, environment, and economy. The Navy's own studies articulate the severity of the risk and if their reckless disregard for public health, our home, and the safety of their own personnel is any indication, we cannot trust them with our future, our children's future.

Written
Testimony

Kaho'olawe, the 2014 Halawa spill, the recent leak at Pu'uloa, dumping contaminated water to flow into our oceans: the Navy appears both incapable of and uninterested in protecting our health and safety. How can the Pacific maintain their national security or the readiness of the joint force if they destroy another Hawaiian island, if there is no Pacific left to exploit? Let history be a lesson to us all. Drain the tanks at Kapūkaki.

Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and council members, thank you for this opportunity to testify. Mr. Waters, we are proud to have canvassed for you.

Mahalo piha,

Chloe Hartwell
Wailupe Valley

To: Council of the City and County of Honolulu
Hearing Date/Time: Tues., Dec. 15, 2021
Re: Testimony in support of Bill 48

Dear Chair Waters and Committee Members,

Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates - Hawai'i writes in support of Bill 48, which seeks to require any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. The County must support policies that ensure people can access affordable, clean water.

Access to clean and safe water is an increasingly pressing problem across the country. America's water infrastructure is failing, and the burden of these failures is weighing heaviest on communities of color, harming their health and their reproductive freedom. More than 27 million people in the United States are served by water systems that violate basic standards established in the Safe Drinking Water Act, in part due to massively decreased funding on water infrastructure and increased pressure on water systems from the climate crisis.

The failure of America's water infrastructure is most pronounced in communities of color due to redlining, discriminatory land-use patterns, and environmental racism. We see Black communities struggling with lead poisoning; Latinx communities experiencing nitrate poisoning; American Indian & Alaskan Native populations without access to safe water; and active military servicemembers, who are predominately people of color, living on bases where water is contaminated with perfluorooctanoic acid (PFAS).

All of these contaminants harm reproductive health. They can cause infertility, heighten the risk of miscarriage, cause birth defects, increase low birth weight, increase newborn and infant deaths, and result in many other adverse health outcomes. Lack of access to clean, affordable water is directly limiting people's ability to have healthy children and their ability to raise children in a safe, healthy environment.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure.

Sincerely,
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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

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Testimony

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

E ola i ka wai,
Justyn Ah Chong

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

From 2013-2017, my husband, and our two sons and I lived on Red Hill. At that time we were told the water was safe. Now, in 2021, our family was exposed again to unclean water. My sons couldn't visit their dad who lives in Navy housing. Their dad had eye damage and it was reported to Tripler- the Dr could rule everything else out but would not confirm it was the water.

The Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility ("Facility") is a prime example of how a leaky underground storage tank can threaten our lives and our most precious resource.

The DOH has concluded that the storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, is inherently dangerous.

Written Testimony

The Facility's tanks, each with a 12.5 million-gallon capacity, had a quarter-inch thick steel liner when first constructed nearly 80 years ago. They are encased in aging concrete and sit 100 feet above O'ahu's drinking water aquifer. These steel liners have been corroding to the point where many through-wall holes have been found and are now less than one-third of their original thickness in some places. These tanks have leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since they were constructed and the Navy's own risk assessment from 2018 concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons (independent of any earthquake risk) over the next ten years is 96%. The Navy cannot prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Approximately 93,000 people living in military housing have been unable to use their water for several weeks. Water will not be restored, and those who were displaced will not be able to return

home, for at least six to eight weeks, if not longer. If the Navy water system is further compromised, our housing crisis will mushroom. DOH said that a water sample taken from the Red Hill drinking water shaft on December 5 confirmed the water is contaminated with "high levels" of petroleum and gasoline. The sample detected total petroleum hydrocarbons diesel range organics levels 350 times above the DOH Environmental Action Level (EAL) for drinking water, and gasoline range organics more than 66 times the DOH EAL. Lower levels of petroleum products were also found in samples collected from the Aliamanu Child Development Center as well as homes located on the Navy's water system. The home my boys can no longer visit. The 14,000 gallon leak of water-fuel mixture through a fire suppression system drain line at Red Hill in mid-November is suspected to be the cause of this water contamination crisis.

I support this bill and I request a long term solution to the Navy removing these fuel tanks. Please protect our water.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of 'Aliamanu town--one of the only local communities within the Moanalua area surrounded by the military communities, and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Nicole Cody

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December 14, 2021

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Testimony RE: Bill 48

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Aloha Honolulu City Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

Kim Coco Iwamoto
Treasurer

On behalf of the Hawai'i Alliance for Progressive Action (HAPA) we submit this testimony in strong support of Bill 48.

Paul Achitoff

HAPA represents supporters throughout the islands that are in strong support of Bill 48. Some of our staff and many of our supporters are directly impacted by this crisis. We respectfully request that you pass Bill 48 and support all measures to address this and protect water quality.

Walter Ritte Jr.

O'ahu's residents are facing a serious crisis which will continue for years. Board of Water Supply's Ernie Lau said that the Hālawā shaft – which was shut down as a precaution following the Navy's Red Hill well contamination – could be shut down for years, even permanently. We need to deal with this crisis now and head on every way that we can.

Kaleikoa Ka'eo

Michael Miranda

Pua Rossi-Fukino

The presence of the leaky tanks at Red Hill directly impacts the health and quality of life of O'ahu's residents now, and will continue to for generations to come.

Karen Shishido

Leslie Malulani Shizue Miki

Please pass Bill 48, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks.

The Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility ("Facility") is a prime example of how a leaky underground storage tank can threaten our most precious resource. The presence of the leaky tanks such as those at Red Hill directly impacts the health and quality of life of O'ahu's residents now, and will continue to for generations to come.

Bill 48 will require any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O‘ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

We cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O‘ahu’s sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Navy officials cannot be trusted to protect our water. They have lied time and time again. The following reasons explain why the Council must act since the Navy has failed to:

- The Navy lied about an active leak at Pearl Harbor for months, discovering the leak in January 2021 but not informing Health Department officials until May. This was revealed in whistleblower emails and documents in October.
- A whistleblower also told the Department of Health in September that Navy officials provided false testimony and withheld information about the full extent of the Facility’s infrastructure, including connected pipelines, as well as “historical records of corrosion issues, including holes in tanks” at its Red Hill fuel facility during legal proceedings.
- The Navy suspended use of its Red Hill water shaft on November 28, but the public only found out on December 1. The Navy continues to confuse and gaslight community members.
- Hundreds of community members reported chemical smells in their water on November 28 and then health issues on November 29, which the Navy refused to acknowledge as a potential health concern until the state Department of Health advised residents to not drink the clearly contaminated water.
- A day after the Navy said it had detected diesel in its ‘Aiea Hālawā well at levels more than double the DOH safety limit, the military backtracked, saying the contaminated sample “did not come directly” from the well and the Navy does not believe the result proves the well is contaminated.
- They continue to not be transparent despite agreeing to the Administrative Order of Consent, which requires them to be more forthcoming about operations at the Red Hill facility.
- The BWS Hālawā shaft will be shut down until fuel is removed from the tanks and may not reopen for years to come. This shaft was a source of water for South O‘ahu from Hālawā to Maunaloa. The BWS has advised that mandatory water conservation measures will now need to be in place in the summer of 2022.

- The Navy “flushed” Red Hill contaminants for days in violation of Department of Health requirements despite repeated warnings. This risked long-lasting effects on birds, plants, fish, and other aquatic life from petroleum contamination

The Department of Health has agreed that the situation is inherently dangerous. DOH said that a water sample taken from the Red Hill drinking water shaft on December 5 confirmed the water is contaminated with "high levels" of petroleum and gasoline. The sample detected total petroleum hydrocarbons diesel range organics levels 350 times above the DOH Environmental Action Level (EAL) for drinking water, and gasoline range organics more than 66 times the DOH EAL.

It's absolutely critical that the Council take action immediately to address this major threat to Honolulu's water supply. HAPA strongly supports the passing of Bill 48.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Anne Frederick', written in black ink.

Anne Frederick, Executive Director
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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

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Agenda Item Bill 48
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Written Testimony

It's been my dream to settle down in Hawai'i and steward land that would provide for my children someday. I want to be able to bury my 'iewe to grow plants that would one day nourish their bodies. This is my ancestral home and like many of us the decimation of the land and the aquifers is heart breaking. Taking the land for granted for over 80 years past World War 2 has finally reached a point of reckoning so I am submitting this testimony begging the passing of this bill.

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Sincerely,
Katherine Wong

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Written
Testimony

The U.S. military has a long history of putting interests of war over the needs of humanity. This behavior continues with no end in sight. It would be hard to find a place on Earth where the U.S. military hasn't had horrific impacts. For a long time the U.S. navy has known the risks of fuel storage above the O'ahu aquifer and - despite the calls for its removal - has now put us all at risk of losing our precious water source forever. This is quite literally a question of our very survival.

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Sincerely,
Justin Jansen

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on
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Written [Share your personal story and how you and your community have
Testimony been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our
 water protected holds a lot of weight with decision makers.]

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Sincerely,
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Written
Testimony

The right to drink water that is clean and safe for us and our children is not something we can afford to treat as a luxury. There is no "fixing" what has already undoubtedly impacted the health of our communities. We can only try to move forward in an attempt to make sure it doesn't happen again.

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Sincerely,
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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Garrett Gagne

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Testimony of Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Chair, Board of Trustees

Honolulu City Council
Bill 48
RELATING TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

December 15, 2021 10:00 a.m. Virtual Hearing

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **SUPPORTS** Bill 48, which would create additional safeguards relating to underground storage tanks and tank systems. OHA commends the Honolulu City Council's swift action with this Bill to ensure that our wai and 'āina will be protected from the catastrophe at Red Hill and urges the City Council to **PASS** the bill without amendments.

The Navy's abysmal failure to address this major, ongoing environmental issue at Red Hill Fuel Storage Facility threatens our most precious and life-giving resource, wai. It is OHA's policy to advocate for appropriate, responsible and just land and water stewardship practices and values throughout Hawai'i, empowering OHA and community to carry the shared responsibility of protecting and ensuring the property management of our natural and cultural resources.

Since time immemorial, wai in Hawai'i has been considered a public trust resource to be managed and administered for the benefit of present and future generations. Traditional Hawaiian laws and land management practices revolved around the sharing and beneficial use of stream and spring waters, which were treated not as a commodity, but as a community resource to be respected and administered to meet a number of social and ecological needs. It is a fundamental truth that wai gives life ma ka honua nei and we uphold the

principle of water as a public trust. Today, our state constitution and water code reflect this traditional understanding of water, as a fundamental resource that cannot be reduced to ownership, and that must be used and managed to fulfill specific public trust purposes and further the public interest. It is with this kuleana in mind that OHA offers its support for Bill 48.

The tanks at Red Hill have been a long-standing issue. Over the years, more than 180,000 gallons of fuel have leaked from the tanks and tests show they are corroding underground. A mere 100 feet below the leaking fuel tanks is the Southern O'ahu Basal Aquifer - the *primary* source of drinking water for O'ahu. This aquifer alone provides drinking water for over 400,000 Hawai'i residents and visitors from Hālawā to Hawai'i Kai. The environmental disaster has already drastically impacted a number of families who live in military housing. The wellbeing of all Hawai'i residents who depend on the Southern O'ahu aquifer are also severely jeopardized by the Navy's egregious negligence. The threat to Hawai'i's precious water resources has only been exacerbated by the military's lack of response, which is lacking in transparency and dismissive of public concerns.

Bill 48 will create crucial safeguards to help ensure that in the future, we do not allow large capacity underground storage tanks to leak into our environment and cause irreparable harm to our precious and irreplaceable natural and cultural resources.

OHA urges the City Council to PASS Bill 48.

Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to testify on this important matter.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written
Testimony

My family came to Hawaii in 1963 when I was just 8 years old, and I know how vital our water and this aquifer is to the life of O'ahu, to all of its people, its environment and to its Hawaiian culture.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Ingrid Peterson

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Sincerely,
Līlia McGuire

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Council members,

Written Testimony

As a Hawaii resident, I support Bill 48 and strongly suggest it's passage in order to protect the future of safe drinking water on Oahu and to set the precedent for the other Hawaiian islands. Our aquifers are one of Hawaii's most precious resources and must be protected for unsafe practices at all costs. Any activities, whether by government or private business, must take into account the health of our lands and waters for both this and future generations. Do the right thing and vote yes on Bill 48 so we can avoid future situations like what is currently happening at Red Hill.

Mahalo for your time and consideration,
Gina Neeley

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I am a Native Hawaiian resident of Waiiau located in the Pu'uloa area (also known as Pearl City), and I am visually reminded every day of the horrific repercussions the United States' military's impact has had on our natural resources. My family will never be able to fully enjoy the once abundant ocean waters of Pu'uloa because of the military's occupation and the resulting toxicity that that occupation has left those waters with. When it comes to drinking water, we all, family included, have no choice but to place all of our trust in our government entities to ensure that we will be taken care of, and that our resources are safe. While my children may never enjoy the ocean waters of Pu'uloa in the ways that their kūpuna did, I implore you all to do everything you can to ensure that our children *at least* have clean water to drink and bathe with by way of this bill and beyond. Do not let what has happened to Pu'uloa, happen to our aquifers.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48 Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Without fresh water our children cannot live in their Hawaii homes. We cannot stand by and allow this to happen. Shut down Red Hill Fuel storage. Do it now.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Testimony

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Me ka ha'aha'a,
Kawai Kaili

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Agenda Item bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I support the Bill but would suggest no tanks with fuel ever be allowed to be built above an aquifer. It is only a matter of time before the corrosive ocean air and climate of Hawaii damages any material used to manufacturer the tanks.

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Hawaii's Thousand Friends

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December 15, 2021

Chair Waters
Vice Chair Kia`aina
Council members

Bill 48 RELATING TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

Resolution 21-276 URGING THE PERMANENT REMOVAL AND RELOCATION OF THE U.S. NAVY RED HILL BULK FUEL STORAGE FACILITY UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

Hawaii's Thousand Friends (HTF) strongly supports Bill 48 and the creation of a new Article 45 to require that a permit must be obtained from the city in order to operate an underground storage tank or tank system on the island of O`ahu with the following changes.

- In the first paragraph delete ~~unless it can be established that the tank will not release any regulated substance during its operating life~~ and delete (c) ~~No permit shall be granted unless the applicant demonstrates that the tank or tank system will not leak any regulated substance into the environment during its operating life.~~

This is an impossible standard to meet and prove. Anyone seeking a permit will argue that the fuel tanks will be safe and never leak. Just look at how the Navy has been making that argument for decades. Only after drinking water was clearly contaminated did the Navy confess that water from their wells is contaminated.

To protect O`ahu's sole source aquifers, Article 45 Underground Storage Tanks should clearly state that underground fuel tanks will not be permitted over any sole source aquifer on O`ahu – period.

In section (d), delete the word ~~may~~ and add shall to ensure that rules governing underground fuel tanks are created.

Hawaii's Thousand Friends supports the passage of Resolution 21-276 with the following changes.

- In the first RESOLVED delete ~~and their relocation or the establishment of other fuel storage facilities at an area where they would pose no threat to O`ahu's drinking water.~~
- In the third RESOLVED delete ~~the Board of Water Supply is urged to develop a water source protect program~~ and replace with the Board of Water Supply is required to develop a plan and program specifically intended to identify the present, future and continuing impacts from underground fuel storage tanks located over sole source aquifers.

Further, the Resolution should quote from the public trust doctrine of the Constitution of Hawai`i, Article 1, Section 1, as the underlying basis for the City and County pursuing this issue until it is successfully resolved in favor of the public. This reads as follows:

"For the benefit of present and future generations, the State and its political subdivisions shall conserve and protect Hawaii's natural beauty and all natural resources, including land, water, air, minerals and energy sources, and shall promote the development and utilization of these resources in a manner consistent with their conservation and in furtherance of the self-sufficiency of the State.

All public natural resources are held in trust by the State for the benefit of the people.

We submit this is a much more powerful and enduring mandate of City government than its self-proclaimed goal as proclaimed in the first draft.

Resolution 21-276 cannot become just another Resolution, like the five listed since 2014 that appear to have been ignored. A working group consisting of the military, state Department of Health representatives, State and County administration representatives, City's permitting authority and the Board of Water Supply must be brought together to ensure that the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks are removed and the provisions and loopholes are closed to ensure the safety of our drinking water.

Given the nature of the Navy's intransigence, the City must engage in an all-out battle not only in courts of law but in the court of public. Toward this end, we urge the Council to hold extensive public hearings on the scope of the problem, its history, its evolution, and the valiant attempts of the Board of Water Supply to combat it. Systematic attempts should be made to call this crisis to the attention of the national media. The Resolution should be sent not only to the Secretary of the Navy but the two persons to whom he is answerable, the Secretary of Defense and the President of the United States.

Meeting date: 12/15/2021

Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing

Agenda Item: **Bill 48 (First Reading) - Relating to underground storage tanks.**

Position: **Strong Support**

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

I am a resident of Mānoa and I am in strong support of Bill 48, relating to underground storage tanks. It is of utmost importance to protect the health of O'ahu's residents and protect the groundwater sources that we all so heavily depend on every day. Therefore I fully support the City Council to pass Bill 48 and to only grant permits to operators of large underground storage tanks if the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

The ancient Red Hill facility including its distribution systems is heavily corroded and poses a hazard to O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. The recent leaks and coverups by Navy officials show that the Navy does not have the best interest of Oahu's residents in mind, nor does the Navy show coherent plans to mitigate this crisis. Still debating what tank upgrade they might choose is not dealing with the immediate problem that we have right now and implementing a tank upgrade by 2045 is unacceptable. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola and Councilmembers,

Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a fellow human, I strongly support Bill 48. Underground storage tanks leaking into our environment and water supply is ecocide. Red Hill has shown us that this does not only affect military members, but all of our islands. This cannot get much worse. Please protect the people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Elaine Wyatt

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

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Written
Testimony

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I am a grandmother to an energetic and curious 8 month old. One of the joyful milestones was giving him his first taste of water. Yet, now when we fill his sippy cup, I wonder if we are unknowingly poisoning him. I know that the Navy has said that they will clean up this mess and that it is an isolated incident. But without the permanent closing of the Red Hill facility, this contamination event at JBPHH may only be the first of many.

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Sincerely,
Jenny Wallace

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Sincerely,
Katie Molenaar

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written
Testimony

Im a third generation resident of Kailua, but my sister lives in Honolulu, and of course I care about all of the people of O'ahu and all of its environment. I know how important a clean water supply and this largest aquifer of O'ahu are to this island.

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Written Testimony

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Where flows the water of Kāne?

Aia i lalo, i ka honua, i ka wai hū,
Deep in the ground, in the gushing spring,

I ka wai kau a Kāne me Kanaloa —
In the ducts of Kāne and Kanaloa,

Written
Testimony

He wai puna, he wai e inu,
A well-spring of water, to quaff,

He wai e mana, he wai e ola.
A water of magic power, the water of life!

E ola nō, e-a!
Life! O give us this life!

Source: He Mele No Kāne. Emerson, Nathaniel B. Unwritten Literature of Hawaii.
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In recent weeks, a threat to our life-giving water has reared its menacing head. Officials and activists warned of this potential hazard for years. True to character, the United States Navy is attempting to downplay the seriousness of the issue at hand, just as it did for many years when we fought to stop the bombing of Kaho‘olawe. The Navy’s lack of integrity and absence of transparency prove that it once again cannot be trusted. The careless abuse of Kaho‘olawe and lackadaisical cleanup of the island established precedence of their negligence. We again witness their carelessness and mismanagement of Hawai‘i’s precious resources.

The fuel storage tanks at Kapūkakī (Red Hill) are a known threat to O‘ahu’s aquifer. For many years, community groups such as the Sierra Club of Hawai‘i and individuals such as Ernest Lau, Board of Water Supply Chief Engineer, cautioned of imminent discharge from the aging fuel tanks that sit over O‘ahu’s natural volcanic dikes. Yet the Navy continues to deny the presence of such risk and chooses, instead, to evade the fact that we are on the brink of a devastating environmental disaster. At a December 2, 2021 Facebook Live town hall meeting, 25th Infantry Division Cmdr. Maj. Gen. Joseph Ryan told attendees, “Our readiness posture here in the Pacific is predicated, the foundation of it, is the life, health and safety of our service members and their families.” Is that not telling? It’s not about the island, the environment, and the people of Hawai‘i, it’s about the military families and their assets. And, tragically, the service members and families have been the first to be impacted.

The Protect Kaho‘olawe ‘Ohana supports the efforts of the Sierra Club Hawai‘i, the O‘ahu Water Protectors, Ka‘ohewai, and all other environmental advocacy groups that are calling for the immediate shut down and decommissioning of the Kapūkakī (Red Hill) Storage Tank Facility. Our water is too precious a resource to wait any longer to take action.

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The PKO strongly urges the Honolulu City Council to support Bill 48 and call for the immediate shutdown and decommissioning of the Kapūkakī (Red Hill) Fuel Storage Facility. The U.S. Navy must be held accountable for their blatant disregard for the purity of O‘ahu’s drinking water resources and the safety of O‘ahu’s communities. We cannot allow history to repeat itself and let the Navy get away with their reckless actions. E ola ka wai, e ola ka ‘āina, e ola kākou. Let the water live so that the land may live and so that we may live.

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on behalf of the Protect Kaho‘olawe ‘Ohana
calling for the immediate decommissioning and removal of the fuel tanks**

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Honolulu City Council Members,

As a resident of O'ahu and supporter in Chair Waters' district, I am also in strong support for Bill 48. All action must be taken to ensure the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We can no longer trust that expedient and sufficient action is being taken. We are allowing a toxic timebomb to exist without new actions and a definite plan in place; we cannot continue to allow these 80-year-old underground fuel tanks to remain in operation simply until it is a catastrophic disaster and an island-wide crisis. Each and every day of more research and studies brings an increased risk of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply – and permanently polluting O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

I trust you're all aware of "ola I ka wai" and this Hawaiian ethic has been codified in the Hawaii State constitution, Article XI Section 7 which carries an obligation to protect, control, and regulate the use of Hawaii water resources for the benefit of its people for now and future generations.

Additionally, after almost a year working on energy programs for the Navy at Pearl Harbor, I was shocked at the lack of maintenance for even the most basic of things like just changing air conditioner air filters. Something as complex as the Red Hill facility seemed to fall into the "too hard" bucket, and never discussed. However all infrastructure has a maximum asset life (for Navy supposed to be managed in a tool called Maximo), and it would be interesting to know how many decades these tanks are over their engineered life, and what plans have been taken already to fund and replace these. These

projects take many years, so these project and funding documents should have been well completed more than a few years ago, if they exist... So while more "fact finding" is being done, we must not allow for business as usual.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Many thanks for your service and much aloha,
James McCay, CEM, LEED AP
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December 14, 2021

To: Honolulu City Council
From: Hawai'i Peace and Justice

RE: In support of Bill 48 and Resolution No. 21-276

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

My name is Rebekah Garrison and I am a community organizer for Hawai'i Peace and Justice (HPJ), a grassroots organization that strives to create a more peaceful, just and sustainable Hawai'i. One of our priorities is protecting our islands from the negative environmental and social impacts of militarization.

Thank you to the council members for hearing Bill 48 and Resolution No. 21-276 and for prioritizing the protection of our island's most precious resource—clean, unpolluted drinking water. HPJ strongly supports the passage of both Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276.

The Navy has assured us that it can safely operate the 20 deteriorating fuel tanks holding 200 million gallons of fuel a mere 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source aquifer. But history has proven that the Navy cannot protect our water from the leaking fuel in its antiquated fuel storage system. This is not a hypothetical problem. Our aquifer has already been contaminated. People have already been poisoned and hospitalized. Pets have died.

We strongly support Bill 48, which would empower the City and County of Honolulu to enforce regulations on underground storage tanks. In media remarks by Secretary of the Navy Del Toro, and in the Navy's opposition to the Governor's emergency order calling for the tanks to be defueled, we see the Navy's contempt for our local laws, governing structures, and the health and wellbeing of all who call O'ahu home. And recognizing that the State of Hawai'i has historically been reluctant to regulate the Red Hill tanks, it is important that the County exercise greater local control over fuel tanks which can have devastating impacts on our water supply.

HPJ also strongly supports Resolution No. 21-276, calling for the permanent removal and relocation of the US Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility Underground Storage Tanks. Faced with this disaster unfolding in real time, we urge your urgent action to prevent a much larger catastrophe. Please protect the fresh drinking water of hundreds of thousands of O'ahu residents before it is polluted beyond repair. Do not let the Red Hill disaster become an island-wide tragedy. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council. Ola i ka wai. Water is life.

Sincerely,

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Rebekah Garrison, Hawai'i Peace and Justice

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

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Me ke mahalo,

Erin

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Written
Testimony

O'ahu will be the next Kaho'olawe. As a Native Hawaiian, I believe strongly the military can't be trusted and evidence proves they're not interested in keeping anyone safe. The military wants to renew their lease in 2029 to continue raping Hawaiian people and their culture.

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Sincerely,
Grace

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Representing Organization Self
Written Testimony I'm writing in strong support of Bill 48. Without clean, safe water, nothing else matters. Please protect our water!
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As a neighboring resident on Maui and water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

It should be common sense that there is not much left to protect if, at the hands of the U.S. Navy, 77% of O'ahu's water supply is irreversibly contaminated. Neglecting to defuel the tanks at Red Hill not only endangers the well-being of Native residents, but U.S. citizens who reside and visit, and investments throughout the island's business sector. The failure by the U.S. to provide clean water to even its own resident military families should be embarrassing knowing how much of our taxes go into defense expenditures.

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Sincerely,
Olivia Nguyen

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Representing Organization Self

Aloha Council,
As a visitor to O'ahu & neighbor islander, I am horrified by what's been happening at Red Hill for so long, with so many aware of the grave danger - but did nothing.

Written Testimony Red Hill tanks need to be shut down - yesterday.

Mahalo,
Shannon Rudolph - Kona

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Ola I Ka Wai!

I'm writing today because Aloha Wai. I love Hawai'i. I love O'ahualua. I love kanaka that live there and I have hoaloha that are being directly affected by the contamination from Red Hill Navy's jet fuel storage tanks and presence.

Written Testimony

I live in california and after learning much of the historical truth of America's military presence and the consequences that have come with them there in Hawai'i I am infuriated with the entirety of our government military being there period. Having said that, this issue with the tanks is insanity, it is completely non-sensical in any way for any reason to allow the tanks to continue to intoxicating and harming everyone and everything in its path. Remove the tanks and remove the Navy!

It's far beyond Embarrassment

It's far beyond Dangerous

People that have been allowing this to happen for years and years and years really need to comprehend the gravity of what they have allowed to happen.

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Written Testimony [Share your personal story and how you and your community have been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our water protected holds a lot of weight with decision makers.]

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Representing Organization Organization
Windward Coalition
Relating to Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276
December 14, 2021
The Windward Coalition

The Windward Coalition strongly supports Bill 48 relating to underground fuel storage tank regulations and Resolution 21-276 urging the permanent removal and relocation of the underground storage tanks at Red Hill.

The Windward Coalition (WC) is a voluntary community action group with the mission of improving the quality of life of Windward residents by addressing environmental issues affecting our neighborhoods. We are not affiliated with or part of any political party, government entity or other organization.

Written Testimony

While the windward aquifer is not immediately directly impacted by the Red Hill fuel leakage, all the aquifers are linked underground (refer to BWS Ernest Lau's description of the aquifers as underground sponges). Pollution can seep from one aquifer into another, threatening the quality of the water supply elsewhere. Furthermore, if the aquifer below Honolulu is not drinkable, the BWS will be forced to draw water from other aquifers and ration water, as the supply of water will not be sufficient to support the island's population.

This is a major crisis which requires immediate action to salvage Oahu's aquifer and drinking water for the present and the future. The leakage has been a very serious problem for many years and the patchwork repairs have not fixed the problem. In fact, the water is now

sickening military and island residents. Petroleum ingestion is a very serious health hazard: our residents are being poisoned.

As we speak, divers are inside the aquifers attempting to skim off the "observable" petroleum while thousands of residents who can't use their water have been relocated by the military to hotels as they prepare for the holidays and commute to work from Waikiki.

What other disasters are needed for the Navy to defuel, shut down, and relocate the tanks?

Without safe drinking water, our island's ability to support our population, the military bases and national security interests is in very serious jeopardy. Yes, relocating the fuel tanks will be very expensive. Other states in similar situations have shut down leaking fuel tanks, ensuring local environmental security without risking National Security. The Navy must be Pono and take responsible, immediate action to stop further damage to the aquifers and to our people.

The Navy is heading down a path that will soon be irreversible if the tanks aren't permanently shut down and relocated. Healthy drinking water is fundamental to the very essence of our life on this island. Our island cannot support or coexist with National Security interests if the island's main source of fresh drinking water is polluted with fuel. Water is life: shut down and relocate the fuel tanks now.

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Testimony of Danna Olsen on Tuesday, 14 February 2021 in regard to Bill 48,

Relating to underground storage tanks-

requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the city- to be granted only if the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Meeting date: 12/15/2021

Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing

Agenda Item: Bill 48

Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu, I strongly support Bill 48. This bill is squarely targeted at the military's Red Hill Facility. No longer shall we permit these gigantic, corroded, almost 80 year-old underground storage tanks to pose a threat to our water supply.

I studied ecology and environmental studies and have previously worked for an environmental testing laboratory performing soil and water tests. Four years ago, after receiving a Master of Public Health degree with a focus on environmental health from the UW School of Medicine and Public Health, I excitedly took a job for the State of Hawai'i OSHA.

One of the first things I did as a new resident of O'ahu was attend an informational workshop out at Red Hill School- this was in March of 2018. There was a table for the EPA, DOH, the Navy and the Navy-contracted consultants inside the gym. The Sierra Club wasn't allowed a table; they were instead set up outside. I was absolutely disillusioned and horrified to discover that the Navy, a known polluter, seemed to be running the show. I was told by a representative of the Navy that the last spill was caused by "operator error" and now everything was different; "it won't happen again." "Don't worry ma'am; we don't really need the well out at Red Hill for drinking water." What about the fuel plume? Oh, it's just sitting there.. the consultants, hired by the Navy, told me. I couldn't understand why it took them so damn long to collect and process samples- they'd had years and they were just "monitoring the situation" (because honestly what else can you really do once the damage is done?). Nothing made sense. Responses to concerned citizens were dismissive.

I've been submitting testimony about these stupid Red Hill tanks for four years and I'm frustrated. The old, corroded, leaky, mismanaged Red Hill facility has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. My coworker's pregnant friend drank this contaminated water and her toddler was hospitalized. The storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, is reckless and inexcusable. Shut down Red Hill immediately and entirely. Please be a water protector.

Malama 'Aina! Ola i ka Wai!

Danna Olsen, MPH

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger than pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As we were getting ready to head out to the rally protest last week friday, I got a news alert that read "DOH samples of Navy's Red Hill water shaft find petroleum levels up to 350 times safe limit" THREE HUNDRED FIFTY TIMES. I once read something during the height of the nodapl protests that said, "if you don't think #waterislife, stop drinking it and then you will find out".

When we got home my son told his dad, "I'm a water protector, dad!" of course that made me proud to hear but at the same time very sad and heartbroken. Our children, the most precious, are rising up alongside us too but are their voices being heard!?! What will the fate of their future be!?!

Clean water is a basic human right and the tanks at the red hill bulk fuel storage facility threaten that right for EVERYONE + EVERYTHING living on oahu... and beyond.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Audrey Alvarez
Makiki, Oahu

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Studies dated back to 1947 noted leaks occurring from the fuel facility. Several groups have brought this matter to the attention of state and city officials for many years, near decades. Sadly, by not addressing such a dire issue early on, families have suffered the consequences. I URGE the city to take this seriously and use the expertise of land and water conservationist to develop an adequate and appropriate process of permitting for existing and any future discussions on storage facilities of any nature detrimental to the natural resources here.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

E ola i ka wai. Water is life. And the people of this 'āina should not have to suffer any longer from the mistakes of illegal occupiers. It is incredibly disheartening to see how many of my loved ones are impacted by the negligence of the US military. My family can not safely drink the water from our tap and have been utilizing bottled water.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Honu Nichols

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha councilmembers,

U.S. Navy has poisoned an aquifer. If any other aquifers have been poisoned we may be forced to issue a moratorium on new construction, island wide.

Written Testimony

The US Navy's record on issues in Hawaii has been abysmal. Bombing and destroying Kahoolawe, Makua Valley and Pearl Harbor. They appear to have no problem lying to the public. The sierra club has been raising the alarm for years, to no avail. Seems the Navy only got interested once their own people started experiencing the tainted water and started complaining.

Precious time has been wasted by the navy's foot dragging on acknowledging and remediating this has probably poisoned the aquifer further.

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of Moanalua and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48. The antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems at Red Hill have a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and have contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Respectfully,
Ashley B. Kaono

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. Frankly, tanks of any size should not be located in proximity to our aquifers.

Written Testimony

Having travelled the world, I have experienced the devastation to a community or a country when their water system becomes toxic due to human mismanagement, lack of protection, blatant disregard for people and the environment, usually due to greed and corruption. Many communities in Mexico, Greece, Africa, and even recently in the USA, in Flint Michigan have been and continue to be devastated by the health impacts of unsafe drinking water. People of color and those in communities whose voice is not being heard are suffering the most. Shame on us for not taking action earlier as recommended by some of our representatives and supported by data from the Sierra Club and other environmental stewards. Now that O'ahu, the economic driver of our state is being impacted (no longer just a threat of continued leaking, but documented spills), we must end this threat. If we lose our access to clean water, literally we die. Tourism, military, agriculture, and all other economic drivers cease to exist, which should be wake up call to even the most profit driven decision makers.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Also, we must do this to restore sense of trust between the US Government / military complex and the citizens and peoples of Hawaii. Long history of disregard for our residents and communities must end today.

Mahalo nui for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Gwen Young

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

I applaud the Council for putting forth such a strong bill for an ordinance to require that no permit shall be granted unless the applicant demonstrates that the tank or tank system will not leak any regulated substance into the environment during its operating life. Please resist any urge to weaken that language or create exemptions that would ultimately defeat the purpose. Our fresh water sources are irreplaceable. Mahalo for honoring your fiduciary duty to protect our Public Trust resources.

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Agenda Item Red Hill
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

I support Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276.

Written Testimony The Navy has long been notorious for scanting its environmental responsibilities, and harsh measures are needed to incentivize a change there.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Aloha, I am fearful of the compromise of our water source and I have two young children to worry for as well. We need water to live and I feel scared of poisoning them each time I give them a drink of water or they shower or wash themselves.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48/ Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Hawaii is home to such a big community that this type of impact takes a toll on the health and safety of our kanaka. We need to be able to trust that you will protect and help the communities that you are claimed to care for. Imagine it to be your loved ones in our situation. So please, we ask that you exterminate this act of allowing fuel into our drinking water.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Clarice Malumay Ruiz

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I have elderly relatives and friends who live in the areas directly impacted by the Navy's decades-long neglectful care of the storage tanks that are leaking into the water that flows into their homes. For years, they have been drinking, bathing, watering plants, and cooking with the water they trusted was clean and safe! Makes me sick inside thinking about it!! I worry that their lives will be cut short because of the levels of petroleum in their bodies. Their anxiety is already at such a high level due to the impact of COVID-19 on our lives. Please consider them and generations to come in your deliberation of this important measure.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated, corroding fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Michelle Pillen

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I am a resident of Palolo/Kaimuki and strongly urge that the Navy drain and remove the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage tanks. They are a danger to the community's health.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

The Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility ("Facility") is a prime example of how a leaky underground storage tank can threaten our most precious resource.

The DOH has concluded that the storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, is inherently dangerous.

The Facility's tanks, each with a 12.5 million-gallon capacity, had a quarter-inch thick steel liner when first constructed nearly 80 years ago. They are encased in aging concrete and sit 100 feet above O'ahu's drinking water aquifer. These steel liners have been corroding to the point where many through-wall holes have been found and are now less than one-third of their original thickness in some places. These tanks have leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since they were constructed and the Navy's own risk assessment from 2018 concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons (independent of any earthquake risk) over the next ten years is 96%. The Navy cannot prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Approximately 93,000 people living in military housing have been unable to use their water for several weeks. Water will not be restored, and those who were displaced will not be able to return home, for at least six to eight weeks, if not longer. If the Navy water system is further compromised, our housing crisis will mushroom.

DOH said that a water sample taken from the Red Hill drinking water shaft on December 5 confirmed the water is contaminated with "high levels" of petroleum and gasoline. The sample detected total petroleum hydrocarbons diesel range organics levels 350 times above

the DOH Environmental Action Level (EAL) for drinking water, and gasoline range organics more than 66 times the DOH EAL.

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Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I am a resident of Palolo/Kaimuki and strongly urge that the Navy drain and remove the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage tanks. They are a danger to the community's health.

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Your position on the matter	Support
Representing	Self
Organization	
Written Testimony	We need clean water. As simple as that.
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Aloha Chairs and Council Members,

As a resident Oahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the city. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

My 17-year-old son on Thursday, December 2nd, showered and then brushed his teeth before heading to work as he is a young father now and has to provide for his family. On the way to work he was itching and feeling like his skin was on fire, he got progressively worse and as his manager was called by his co-workers to look at him, he called the ambulance and when I pulled up the ambulance, the look on the paramedic's face of worry made my heart sink to my stomach. His face was swollen, his eyelids were swollen, and you could not see any white of his eyes, his body was swollen they had to poke him multiple times to find a vein, they shot him with an epi pen, his throat had closed, and he was fighting for every breath, he got worse by the time he got to the ER. His gums bled as well after 4 hours into being at the ER. Since leaving the ER, he breaks out in rashes daily and his gums will bleed on to his food. My roommate has been to the ER twice with all these symptoms and more. The rest of us with constant headaches, irritability, exhaustion and burning and irritable eyes. We have since stopped using the water and have to run to friends and family homes to shower and do laundry, we have to go out and get water daily for cooking, washing hands, washing teeth all the necessities. We don't drink from the tap since we have always had water delivered. Imagine had we been drinking the water this whole time. My community has been trying to get resources and help and answers and no one is helping us. We are getting the run around from everyone. We are told can't help, call this number and they'll give us another number and so on and so on. We're tired, sick, feeling helpless and angry that we are not being helped. We live at the Iroquois Kapilina Beach Homes, still serviced by the Navy's water supply as it was old military housing.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated Oahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Basic environmental protections are important in a place with finite natural resources. Do the bare minimum. Do more but at least do this.

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Written Testimony

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**Council/PH
Committee** Council

Agenda Item Bill 48 (2021)

**Your position on the
matter** Support

**Representing
Organization** Self

Written Testimony Aloha kākou
Thank you for introducing this bill. Water is life. Water is even
sacred. No risk is acceptable when it comes to the water supply.

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

My name is Josh Frost and I am the Chair of the Palolo Neighborhood Board #6, though I am submitting testimony today as an individual and do not speak for the Board. I am in **strong support of Bill 48 Relating to Underground Storage Tanks.**

I've watched news stories over the last couple years report repeated fuel leaks from the Navy's fuel storage tanks at Red Hill. In each instance, the Navy has apologized and "assured" us that the situation is well in hand and we have no reason to worry. Then we learned the Navy has been withholding important information from Department of Health officials.

Then people started getting sick and we learned that fuel has entered the Navy's water systems. We've heard their "thoughts and prayers" as they express concern for the residents impacted. They tell us they'll get to the bottom of the problem and that there's nothing to worry about.

But there IS something to worry about and the Navy isn't doing everything they can to address the issue. In fact, they're persisting on doing the opposite. Business as usual while the danger to large sections of the island is VERY real. They've put the ease and financial status quo of the Navy above the residents of O'ahu by refusing Governor Ige and the Department of Health's order to halt operations at Red Hill.

This is unacceptable. What is the good of "national security" if it puts at risk American citizens? What good is the Navy to Hawaii if they are prepared to risk the health and safety of O'ahu residents?

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

We cannot allow the fuel storage tanks to remain where they are, merely 100 feet above a major fresh water aquifer. I urge you all to vote yes on this bill and ensure the health and safety of O'ahu residents over the comfort and ease of the Navy's operations.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify,

Josh Frost

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Organization
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We can no longer afford the current, single agency response to water pollution in Pearl Harbor. The Red Hill crisis has made it evident that current practices of collaborating with the DoD/Navy are ineffective, especially in crisis situations.

Written Testimony

Passing Bill 48 is an important first step and the Honolulu City Council can be an important voice for the people in moving ahead in a manner less deferential to the DoD.

In my capacity as a leader in a non-profit working to restore the Pu`uloa (Pearl Harbor) shoreline, I work with youth from schools throughout 'Ewa. I want to be able to look them in the eye and tell them we - and that includes all elected officials - did everything we could to ensure they have the water resources they need to be able to thrive on this island in the future.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Kaua'i and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Megan

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha mai kākou!

As a Native Hawaiian and a water drinker on O'ahu, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Seeing the desecration of our native land and the poisoning of our people is truly sickening to me. This should be a national emergency and the tanks need to be shut down immediately. **PRIORITIZE THE PEOPLE OF O'AHU OVER THE PROFITS OF THE MILITARY!!** Choose differently.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Lilia Brossus

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Agenda Item Bill 48
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

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The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

We all are impacted, thousands of people who were connected to this water system are now disconnected, which means that now other aquifers will be impacted as they cannot sustain the demand of adding thousands more people to them! The earth provides but if we keep disregarding her resources we will deplete them! The military doesn't care, the navy doesn't care, because they will just find water else where and leave us to live with the pollution they caused! They have rationed water that I assure is not tainted with the fuel of jets or any other chemicals for that matter! If we want the people of Hawai'i to prosper, we must Mālama the 'Āina and Mālama the Wai! It's crucial

to our existence!

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Tesia

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Relating to Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276
December 14, 2021
The Windward Coalition

The Windward Coalition strongly supports Bill 48 relating to underground fuel storage tank regulations and Resolution 21-276 urging the permanent removal and relocation of the underground storage tanks at Red Hill.

The Windward Coalition (WC) is a voluntary community action group with the mission of improving the quality of life of Windward residents by addressing environmental issues affecting our neighborhoods. We are not affiliated with or part of any political party, government entity or other organization.

While the windward aquifer is not immediately directly impacted by the Red Hill fuel leakage, all the aquifers are linked underground (refer to BWS Ernest Lau's description of the aquifers as underground sponges). Pollution can seep from one aquifer into another, threatening the quality of the water supply elsewhere. Furthermore, if the aquifer below Honolulu is not drinkable, the BWS will be forced to draw water from other aquifers and ration water, as the supply of water will not be sufficient to support the island's population.

This is a major crisis which requires immediate action to salvage Oahu's aquifer and drinking water for the present and the future. The leakage has been a very serious problem for many years and the patchwork repairs have not fixed the problem. In fact, the water is now sickening military and island residents. Petroleum ingestion is a very serious health hazard: our residents are being poisoned.

As we speak, divers are inside the aquifers attempting to skim off the "observable" petroleum while thousands of residents who can't use their water have been relocated by the military to hotels as they prepare for the holidays and commute to work from Waikiki.

What other disasters are needed for the Navy to defuel, shut down, and relocate the tanks?

Without safe drinking water, our island's ability to support our population, the military bases and national security interests is in very serious jeopardy. Yes, relocating the fuel tanks will be very expensive. Other states in similar situations have shut down leaking fuel tanks, ensuring local environmental security without risking National Security. The Navy must be Pono and take responsible, immediate action to stop further damage to the aquifers and to our people.

The Navy is heading down a path that will soon be irreversible if the tanks aren't permanently shut down and relocated. Healthy drinking water is fundamental to the very essence of our life on this island. Our island cannot support or coexist with National Security interests if the island's main source of fresh drinking water is polluted with fuel. Water is life: shut down and relocate the fuel tanks now.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Life as we know it in the State of Hawai'i has been altered by the real threat of the pollution of our water. Water is life and without it civilization will cease to exist.

How we got to this point is beyond my comprehension and certainly demonstrates why so many people in our State do not trust government and sadly most of these people are our younger generations. This is a crisis that everyone in government has turned a blind eye to. Although I support these efforts, I simply can't help thinking and worrying if it's too little too late?

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
I strongly support Bill 48.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Hans Winkler

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The Social Work Collective, LLC
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

As the Social Work Collective, we are committed to providing behavioral health and healing services to individuals, families and communities. This includes advocating for their rights to have their basic human needs met, including access to clean water. Our behavioral and emotional needs are more likely to be triggered by the physical surroundings and environment we live in. As a community it is our kuleana (responsibility) to create healthy environments to sustain the health and wellness of our people. The environmental needs of our people rests in the hands of our government and all the kia'i (protectors) and stewards of our land, so for that, we stand in support of a healthy environment to sustain healthy and productive individuals in our communities.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

My name is Steve Kastner and I live in Nu'uauu. I have lived on Oahu now for 47 years. Back in the late 70's I used to skydive out at Dillingham. One of my friends there used to work as a repairman up at the Red Hill tanks. He told me at the time that they were severely leaking. He would go into the tanks and try to patch them. He told me that it was full time job, as they patched one area, another would start to leak.

This was 43 years ago.

Written Testimony

Over the years, I learned more and more about those leaking tanks, that they are above our water supply, that the Navy has known of all the leaking all along, that once they leak into our water supply, it will be very hard to clean that up.

I understand why they were built so many years ago, but like all things, they must be replaced by qualified tanks in a qualified area. Underground tanks are a thing of the past, guaranteed to fail within a short amount of time. Just look at all our gas stations on the island. Shouldn't the Navy be held in the same standards?

Please, use your power to protect the people, as our water is our lifeline. Without it, we are doomed.

Thank you for all you do,

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu, I strongly support Bill 48 requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City.

We must safeguard the primary drinking water aquifer for O'ahu by taking responsible measures to address this latest contamination and mitigate against any future risk. Shutting down Red Hill is the only way to guarantee the safety of our island's water and communities. The Navy can identify alternate national security strategies, and while the financial investment may be high, the alternative is more costly and devastating than we can imagine. Water is life.

Written
Testimony

Families and schools in the affected area have been without water, and young people in the Honolulu area are asking me if their drinking water is safe. This crisis has cast doubt and broken trust. The only way to repair this is through swift action and accountability. Bill 48 provides tangible steps towards better management decisions for the people and environment of Hawai'i.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Mahalo,
Breanna Rose

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 048-21 Res. 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Dear Chairman Waters and Council Members
Aloha,
My name is David Nakamoto, born and raised in Hawaii, now living In Nuuanu.
My concerns about the Red Hill issue relate to the disturbing nature of the immediate threat to a vital water resource to the community and also to the community at large. This affects not only our current citizens whose immediate safety and welfare are at stake, but also to our future generations as well.
I support Bill 048-21 and Resolution 21-276
My immediate concern is stopping the potential danger and so defueling the tanks is the primary step at this point.
Mahalo for taking this concern in the best interest of all of us and for our future loved ones.

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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony I would like to support that the City Council oversee and assume responsibility re: water tanks.
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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

It is completely wrong that there is a danger to drinking water by the storage and leaking of fuel! Everything needs to be done to preserve the quality of our precious resources here in Hawaii!

We are urging the permanent removal and relocation of the underground storage tanks at Red Hill.

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Written Testimony

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Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a lifelong resident of O'ahu who lives in the Honolulu area, and one that treasures Hawai'i's natural resources as I hope anyone should, I strongly support Bill 48 in requiring that any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the city and prove that the tank or tank system will NOT leak regulated substances into the environment. It is clear after the events of Red Hill that underground storage tanks pose an immense threat of contaminating our water supply and the surrounding environment. It has already happened. Petroleum has been detected in the water supply and and left 93,000 people without clean water. It will happen again if actions aren't taken to prevent it.

Written Testimony

Clean water is a human right. We have thus far been blessed with Hawaii's clean and abundant water. But now that Red Hill has contaminated the military's water supply, we need to ensure that the same doesn't happen to the shaft a mere mile away that serves Halawa to Hawaii Kai. A single leak will have years of consequences, such that the Board of Water supply director fears that contamination would take years to resolve. I've lived in places where one must buy bottled water to ensure a clean water supply; it is a miserable existence to not be able to trust that the water coming from your tap won't poison you or make you sick, or worse, make your family sick. I don't want that to happen to the people of O'ahu. What is national security, if not ensuring that the people have clean water, instead of sticking a ticking pollution bomb directly next to the water source and hoping it doesn't go off? There must be precautions before further

disaster occurs.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify, I trust the right decision will be made for the health and safety of our people by the Council

Sincerely, Nicole Shintani

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

As an environmental law student, I am particularly proud of the fact that you are exercising your right to legal authority to enact requirements that federal agencies must comply with.

Written
Testimony

Since 2018, I have been attending public meetings at the capitol regarding Red Hill.
[<https://disruptedcurrents.wixsite.com/katarina/post/oahu-s-drinking-water-at-stake>] The Sierra Club has been warning the public, as well as the state about this catastrophe for a long time.
Here are some alarming facts for you to consider from Ernie Lau:

1. "According to BWS, there is no natural barrier stopping the Navy's contamination from migrating across the Halawa valley to the civilian water source."
2. "Once an aquifer is significantly contaminated, there isn't much that can be done, BWS said"
3. "Fuel sitting on top of the water that is one component, but there is also fuel that dissolves eventually into the water and goes into a solution

of different components. I think what the Navy is trying to do is remove what they can see,”

4. “That system in addition to the closure of our BWS Halawa well and Aiea well is now at about 50% of our source capacity.”

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

****What is the contingency plan if our whole island’s water supply is contaminated?****

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Katarina Ruiz

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Organization
God's Country Waimānalo
Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

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Written Testimony

I am Kanaka. For far too long have our waters been diverted, rerouted, and polluted. Yet again, this continues.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Mahalo.
Kenneth Ho, Jr.
Secretary, GCW

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident in the ahupua'a of Waikiki on O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

Water constitutes our human capacity to live; without clean and pure drinking water our communities will be left in despair. I am exhausted and heartbroken.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony I Believe The Public Should Not Endure The Horrible Decision Of The Navy To Have Abandoned The Fuel Tanks Without Regarding Its Age And Possible Leaks Into Surrounding Land Area's. This Is Absolutely Unacceptable In This Day And Age To Continue Harming Hawaiians And Their Lands. These Islands Were Pristine And Unpolluted Before The 1941 War Came To Our Beautiful Hawaiian Island's And Its People. Keep Hawai'I Clean.!!!

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SIERRA CLUB OF HAWAI'I

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

Testimony in **SUPPORT** of **Bill 48**- relating to underground storage tanks

Wednesday, December 16, 2021- 10am

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and members of the Honolulu City Council,

On behalf of our 20,000 members and supporters, the Sierra Club of Hawai'i offers testimony in **support of Bill 48** to protect our environment and public trust resources from contamination by any underground storage tank with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more.

O'ahu residents need, and the public trust requires, the City Council to ensure that our public trust water and other resources are protected from contamination and waste. Red Hill is an example of the public health and environmental catastrophe that can result when affirmative protections like Bill 48 are not in place. The 80-year-old Red Hill facility – including its fragile, antiquated fuel tanks, pipes, and associated infrastructure – has a decades-long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. These tanks have leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since they were constructed and the Navy's own risk assessment from 2018¹ concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons (independent of any earthquake risk) over the next ten years is 96%. The catastrophe before us today could have been prevented had a measure like Bill 48 been in place to stop the U.S. Navy from operating this inherently dangerous facility.

Bill 48 seeks to ensure that massive underground storage tanks, including the Red Hill Facility do not contaminate our most precious public trust resources. Any entity, including the Navy, who simply cannot prove that their massive underground storage tanks will not leak regulated substances into the environment, should not be allowed to maintain or operate such tanks.

We urge the Honolulu City Council to pass this bill and protect O'ahu's water supply for the people whose lives depend on it.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this important measure.

Wayne Tanaka
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¹https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2019-06/documents/red_hill_risk_assessment_report_redacted-2018-11-12.pdf

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

I am a resident of Mililani, O'ahu, and I strongly support Bill 48.

If the Navy cannot even protect the health of their own military families, why should we trust them to protect the health of our O'ahu community as a whole?

Written Testimony The BWS Halawa shaft, which provides water to many of South O'ahu's residents, continues to be shut down.

We must shut down the Red Hill facilities immediately to ensure that our water is protected.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my testimony.

Sincerely,
Amy Sojot

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. I live in the Kapahulu / Waikiki area and care deeply about this issue. This decision may seem like one of many, but each one is compounding. Please listen to your constituents and shut down Red Hill immediately and entirely. It is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
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Written
Testimony

It is our responsibility to maintain the safety of the water for this generation and the following to come. It will cost the state more money and energy to import water to Hawai'i when the issue can be addressed presently. We should follow the guidelines that DOH has outlined and adapt to the changing environment.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Crystal Zamora

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Written Testimony

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Written
Testimony

As a chemist and an active member of the scientific community on O'ahu, I know that it is a very slow process to remove hydrocarbons from water in large quantities and requires facilities that are not currently available on O'ahu. The amount of fuel that has already been released into our aquifers and environment is a crisis that needs to be addressed immediately. I am deeply concerned that if the storage tanks at Red Hill are not shut down and drained immediately, a catastrophic failure will occur and contaminate the water supply on all of O'ahu.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important

measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Christian Squire

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I am not going to write a long testimony because it is not necessary. The Navy's Jet Fuel tanks have had leaks for decades. They were notified many times by BWS and Department of Health of its dangers and did nothing. Therefore, they are LEGALLY responsible for EVERYONE affected by their negligence not just military families. It has been proven for decades that them occupying Redhill is NOT safe. Where and who are the people that will protect us?? If I damage someone's property or self, I am liable for it. The Navy is damaging peoples health, families and pets so therefore they need to be held accountable for their lack of actions. Something must finally be done NOW. Born and raised in Hawaii nei. Where has the respect for the aina and people gone??

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I grew up in Foster Village and my grandmother still resides there. Water is a necessity to human survival. If they allowed to continue to store their tanks above Oahu's largest natural purifier irreversible damage will happen. We have a chance, NOW, to have them remove those tanks, remediate the area and clean up their mess to protect ourselves and our future generations. This dangerous issue is not new and kama'aina has spoken out about it for decades. The only difference is that it is actually effecting their own military patrons. Apparently when it just poses a danger to us, it's not important. Please stand up for us and support this bill to not grant a permit for the Navy to keep storing their tanks above our largest natural resource. Regardless if they come up with a storage tank that will never leak and an inspection plan, time has told that they do not stay true to their word. The only way we can ensure that our water will be protected is to have the navy remove the tanks and remediate the contaminated soil. Please support Bill 48 and as you look into your families eyes today, know that you stood up for them and a million

other families that call Oahu home.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Nicole Q. Hyde

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Representing Organization Organization
Kamāwaelualani
Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a nonprofit organization dedicated to native hawaiian culture and education on Kaua'i, we at Kamāwaelualani strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

Although we are based on Kaua'i we are no strangers to militarization and polluted water, air, and 'āina as a result of private and government interests. What's happening at Red Hill begs the question of if that is happening on O'ahu, a place that has more resources and attention of those with power than a community like Kaua'i, then it is not unreasonable to be fearful of the same types of events and government response to happen here. It is our kuleana to stand up for our wai no matter where in Hawai'i the crux of the issue may be because we are all interconnected. What is happening at Red Hill is exacerbating the already strained relationship Hawaiians and locals have with the military. We urge immediate action with pono accountability so that we can ensure that our waters and the people of Hawai'i are not being slowly and insidiously killed by irresponsible 'āina stewardship. This is a humans rights issue and has been an undeclared state of emergency that has played off keeping the populace ignorant and disconnected to their place. This cannot

continue.

-Nikki Cristobal,
Executive Director
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Representing Organization Self

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Written Testimony

Farmers who many of us rely on as well as precious waterways since ancient times is threatened due to the storage tanks.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Sincerely,

Isaiah Fonoti

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

My name is Sam Ikehara. As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, born and raised in Kalihi, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

This is not just a military family issue. This is an all of O'ahu issue. For the Indigenous and local communities who have lived in Hawai'i for generations, we have nowhere else to go. We won't be stationed somewhere else in three to five years. This is our home and we have a right to clean, safe drinking water, and we cannot just stand by while the navy literally fights for the right to continue contaminating the waters of O'ahu. This is why I so strongly support Bill 48 and mahalo councilmembers Cordero and Waters. By writing it, they know that our lives are more important than the US Navy's convenience. We cannot allow the navy to continue their reckless endangerment of the natural resource upon which all life on O'ahu relies.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Sam Ikehara

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Agenda Item BILL 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

The currently leaking Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage tanks on Oahu-Hawaii sits above the Southern Oahu Basal Aquifer which contains three quarters of Oahu's drinking water supply.

This oil spill needs immediate permanently corrective action, and given more respect than a simple dirty story.

Thus far, the navy refuses to be transparent as to how they intend to rectify this long standing storage tank leakage.

Written Testimony

By not being completely transparent, it appears that the Navy has declared war on all of Oahu's surrounding ocean and fresh aquifer waters and the people of Oahu.

Will the Navy not rest until these waters become as un-transparent as they are?

Navy assurance that "everything is fine so don't worry" is akin to someone running over your dog and telling you "not to worry about your dog because their car is fine".

Please deny the Navy's application so that the City Council can protect the citizens of Oahu that the US Navy seems to be at war with.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Organization
Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates Hawai'i
To: Council of the City and County of Honolulu

Hearing Date/Time: Tues., Dec. 15, 2021

Re: Testimony in support of Bill 48

Dear Chair Waters and Committee Members,

Written
Testimony

My name is Rozlyn Calderon, I am the Regional Field Organizer for Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates Hawai'i writing to you in support of Bill 48. Bill 48 seeks to require any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. The County must support policies that ensure people can access affordable, clean water.

Access to clean and safe water is an increasingly pressing problem across the country. America's water infrastructure is failing, and the burden of these failures is weighing heaviest on communities of color, harming their health and their reproductive freedom. More than 27 million people in the United States are served by water systems that violate basic standards established in the Safe Drinking Water Act, in

part due to massively decreased funding on water infrastructure and increased pressure on water systems from the climate crisis. We cannot continue to do the same here in Hawai'i.

The failure of America's water infrastructure is most pronounced in communities of color due to redlining, discriminatory land-use patterns, and environmental racism. We see Black communities struggling with lead poisoning; Latinx communities experiencing nitrate poisoning; American Indian & Alaskan Native populations without access to safe water. We now see these issues are prevalent in our own communities!

All of these contaminants harm reproductive health. They can cause infertility, heighten the risk of miscarriage, cause birth defects, increase low birth weight, increase newborn and infant deaths, and result in many other adverse health outcomes. Lack of access to clean, affordable water is directly limiting people's ability to have healthy children and their ability to raise children in a safe, healthy environment.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure.

Sincerely,

Rozlyn Calderon

Regional Field Organizer PPAA HI

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December 13, 2021

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

The Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce (NHCC) **strongly supports** Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. In addition, NHCC **strongly supports** Resolution 21-276 urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks.

Both of these measures seek to address the current crisis presented by the Red Hill Fuel Storage Facility and which threatens an aquifer that supplies fresh drinking water to nearly half of O'ahu's residents. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment. The most recent leaks have displaced approximately 93,000 residents living in military housing, has left numerous individuals ill and has caused the Board of Water Supply (BWS) to take the extraordinary step of shutting down the Hālawa shaft, its largest water source on O'ahu. The negative effects of these leaks and resulting contamination, both direct and indirect, will be felt by our community for many years, possibly even generations to come.

Fresh water, one of our most important natural resources and critical to the survival of all, must be protected at any and all costs. As a geographically isolated community, we cannot cut corners nor can we afford to take any risks when it comes to this precious, finite resource, which is why these measures are so critical. Providing the City with enhanced authority to regulate underground storage tanks through a proposed permitting process is necessary to prevent another "Red Hill" from occurring. In addition, shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Mahalo nui for the opportunity to provide testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

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Committee
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

He ui, he ninau.
E ui aku ana au ia oe.
Aia i hea ka wai a Kāne?
Aia i ke kuahiwi, i ke kualono,
I ke awāwa, i ke kahawai;
Aia i laila ka Wai a Kāne.

Understanding the above lines in He Mele no Kāne helps us understand the importance of Bill 48. Where is our water? It is deep within our mountains as a function of our water cycle. What happens to us when this cycle is contaminated?

Written Testimony Water is life. It transcends race, socioeconomics, religious differences, and every other marker humans think defines our identity. The fact is, without water, we all die. Bill 48 protects this most precious and vital resource.

We can not continue to allow anyone, military or otherwise, to threaten the viability of life on these islands by threatening the safety of our water sources. As an educator, we teach our students every day the skills and knowledge they need to be agents of positive change for our communities and world. The leaders of O'ahu have this same charge.

I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. This is the LEAST we can

do to protect life as we know it.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Nā kākou ke kuleana e mālama i ka wai.

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December 14, 2021

**Council Chair Tommy Waters
Honolulu City Council
Honolulu, Hawaii**

Re: Bill 48 - Support

Dear Council Chair Waters and Council Members:

The Kaimuki Business and Professional Association (KBPA) supports Bill 48. It is imperative that measures are taken now to prevent future catastrophes of this nature from happening again.

KBPA's mission is to support the business, organizations, churches residents, patrons and visitors in Kaimuki. A disruption of domestic water would devastate all in Kaimuki as throughout the island. As such, KBPA support Bill 48.

Thank you

**Calvin Hara
President
Kaimuki Business and Professional Association (KBPA)**

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Hi,
Save our water and our environment!
This requires regulations as we cannot expect companies and organizations to do the right things, sadly.
Please support Bill 48
Thanks for your attention
Severine

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Council members,

Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48. We cannot permit underground storage tanks of this size or capacity to pose such immense threats of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. The Red Hill facility has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,
Victoria Ami

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**COUNCIL for
NATIVE HAWAIIAN
ADVANCEMENT**
HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL TESTIMONY

Bill 48/Resolution 21-276
Relating to the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility
Honolulu City Council Meeting

December 15, 2021

10:00 AM

Videoconference

The Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (CNHA), a member-based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a mission to enhance the cultural, economic, political, and community development of Native Hawaiians, **STRONGLY SUPPORTS** Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276, both of which seek to resolve the crisis that currently threatens an aquifer that supplies fresh drinking water to nearly half of O‘ahu’s residents.

The Navy’s Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility has leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since 1940, including recent leaks that are suspected of causing the current contamination of drinking water in the Moanalua area. **If not permanently shut down, cleaned up and removed, the Red Hill fuel tanks will continue to endanger the water source that serves 400,000 O‘ahu residents, impacting an area stretching from Moanalua to Hawai‘i Kai.**

Native Hawaiian traditions reflect the importance of fresh water for survival on an isolated archipelago in the middle of the vast Pacific. For example, the Hawaiian word for wealth is waiwai, which is the duplication of the word for water, wai. Numerous oli (chants), mele (song) and ‘ōlelo noe‘au describe the cultural significance of water. The famous saying “Ola i ka wai” extols the life-giving power of water.

Hawai‘i’s local leaders must take immediate action to protect the fresh water that supports our community. Among other things, Resolution 21-276 calls for the permanent removal and relocation of the Red Hill fuel tanks. Meanwhile, Bill 48 would provide the City enhanced authority to regulate underground storage tanks through a proposed permitting process.

In closing, we urge the Honolulu City Council to approve these measures to protect O‘ahu’s life-giving waters. Mahalo nui loa for this opportunity to provide testimony.

Respectfully,

J. Kūhiō Lewis, CEO
Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL TESTIMONY

Bill 48/Resolution 21-276
Relating to the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility
Honolulu City Council Meeting

December 15, 2021

10:00 AM

Videoconference

We are a hui of organizations that provide direct-delivery and support services to the Native Hawaiian community across a variety of areas, including health, education, culture, 'āina, and resource management. We **STRONGLY SUPPORT** Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276, both of which seek to resolve the crisis that currently threatens an aquifer that supplies fresh drinking water to nearly half of O'ahu's residents.

Issues and controversy surrounding the 187-million-gallon capacity Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility have been ongoing since its construction by the Navy in 1940. The fuel storage tanks sit just 100 feet above the water source that serves 400,000 O'ahu residents, an area stretching from Moanalua to Hawai'i Kai.

Over the years, the aging and now antiquated fuel tanks have leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel. Recent leaks are suspected of contaminating drinking water for some 93,000 people living in area military housing, leaving numerous individuals ill. Because the extent of the contamination is unknown, the Honolulu Board of Water Supply shut down three drinking water wells in the last few weeks.

Native Hawaiian traditions reflect the importance of fresh water for survival on an isolated archipelago in the middle of the vast Pacific. For example, the Hawaiian word for wealth is waiwai, which is the duplication of the word for water, wai. Numerous oli (chants), mele (song) and 'ōlelo noe'au describe the life-giving power of water. "Aia i hea ka wai a Kāne/Where are the waters of Kāne" is a famous chant about the search for the sacred waters of the Hawaiian god Kāne, illustrating that our water systems are interconnected and impact every community in our Pae'āina.

Among other things, Resolution 21-276 calls for the permanent removal and relocation of the Red Hill fuel tanks. Meanwhile, Bill 48 would provide the City enhanced authority to regulate underground storage tanks through a proposed permitting process. While more

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accurate information is necessary to fully assess the feasibility and effectiveness of these and other potential solutions, Hawai'i's local leaders must take immediate action to protect the water that supports our community.

In closing, we urge the Honolulu City Council to approve these measures to protect O'ahu's life-giving waters.

Mahalo nui loa for this opportunity to provide testimony.

Should you have any questions about our testimony, please contact Sterling Wong, Vice President of Advocacy at the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement, at sterling@hawaiiancouncil.org.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Ko'olaupoko, O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our 'āina (land) and wai (water), and endangering the health and wellness of animals, people and future generations.

Written Testimony

Two days prior to the shocking stories reported on the news of families in the Pu'uloa area experiencing the affects of water contamination by fuel, my husband & some of our 'Ohana i ke Akua (family of faith) were sign waving in protest of the Kapūkakī (Red Hill) fuel tanks which had leaked 14,000 gallons about a week prior posing a continual threat to the aquifer (one of O'ahu's main water sources) lying only 100 feet below the tanks. My personal sign read, "180,000+ gallons of fuel LEAKED" (since they were built). My husband's read "Protect People from Poison" and others' read "OLA i ka Wai", "Google Red Hill Spill" and from one of our keiki, "Keep fuel OUT of our Water". We knew the urgency and had a sense that many of the passerby's in the Ala Moana area knew not that the aquifer in danger of contamination supplies their very water. Surely the tons of tourists didn't know they too could be directly affected. We of Ko'olaupoko knew that if the water becomes contaminated and inaccessible, they will need to take water from our 'āina and communities just as they will from other

places on O'ahu.

Then it happened...two days later the news hit! People reporting burning skin, adults & children getting sick and the smell, taste & affects of water contamination were clearly seen and experienced first hand, yet the reports of water sampling to follow was that it was still safe!

Today, contamination is being reported farther 'Ewa, the Halawa shaft is also shut as a precaution and Board of Water Supply continues to wait for the Navy to inform them of the source of the leak!

This whole crises is a nightmare of such magnitude that it's difficult to even stay engaged without becoming enraged or feeling hopeless. But we must take action now - because we are already too late. Clearly the Navy needs to be held accountable for their ongoing inaction, irresponsibility complete lack of transparency and dishonesty. For years they have dismissed the concerns of the people including the Board of Water Supply and Department of Health (who calls these tanks "inherently dangerous"). Who will enforce any kind of consequences to their recklessness? We must enact bills and resolutions as part of the efforts to protect the gift of our Wai which gives OLA (life, healing, thriving) to all living things.

As kānaka 'oiwi o kēia 'āina, we know it is our kuleana to protect and steward our sacred 'āina - he kānāwai o ke Akua. I urge you to take action with Bill 48 now.

The Kapūkakī (Red Hill) facility is fragile and old with a long history of leaking thousands of gallons of fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down this facility immediately and entirely is the only way at this point to protect the safety of our Wai, 'Āina and people - our Hawai'i - both now and in the future.

Mahalo NUI no ko 'oukou ho'olohe 'ana mai.

Ke aloha i ke AKUA,

Moanike'ala Nanod-Sitch

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Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a long-time resident of Oahu and a grateful user of our delicious natural water systems, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. As we've see with Red Hill (and the Navy's incredibly terrible, dismissive response, we simply cannot allow such flawed storage tanks to pose such a huge thread to our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

Red Hill proves to be one giant disaster waiting to happen—what will happen to Oahu's residents when we can't use our water for drinking or showing? What will happen to the tourist industry and our farming? This is a massive human rights disaster waiting to happen and all branches of the Hawaii government need to take immediate and decisive action.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

aloha, Andrea

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As a graduate student who just moved to the island this year for school, I never imagined I would have to worry about my drinking water being safe to consume. On top of all of the pressures that come with being a graduate student which are compounded by the pandemic that still is very much affecting our everyday lives, safe drinking water should not be something that I nor other residents of Oahu should have to worry about. As I lived in Michigan for most of my life, I have seen firsthand how a crisis like this can negatively impact whole communities, as the effects of the Flint Water Crisis are still felt by those who were affected. Please learn from the mistakes that were made in handling the Flint Water Crisis and take action so that our communities here on Oahu remain safe and healthy, especially during this unprecedented time.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking

water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Annika

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written
Testimony

I run the Ulu A'e Learning Center a charitable organization that serves children, youth and families in Kalaeloa. We operate on what was once Navy land. So when we learned about the leaking fuel tanks and the compromised water at Kapūkaki, my first reaction was fear that our water might be Navy water – and contaminated.

I was relieved to learn shortly after the news broke that our water comes from a different aquifer than the Navy's and my students, staff and families are safe for now. Yet, the fear I felt for short time is very real and ongoing for so many families who are directly affected.

I teach the children in my programs to trust leadership, to trust government and to preserve and honor our natural resources. When a government entity like the Navy lies arrogantly and fails to take responsibility for poisoning a natural resource, the message it sends to our children is that if government can lie and get away with something so critical to our health and our survival, then telling the

truth is not that important.

This is how the fabric of society erodes. When we let liars get away with fooling us.

I'm no fool and neither are you. Our children are watching. Let's send the correct message to our children that liars will be held accountable and as an island community in the middle of the Pacific we will hold our precious water in the highest of esteem and those who comprise it will be held accountable to the highest extent. Shut the tanks down!

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Mikiala M. Lidstone

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written
Testimony

As someone born and raised in Hawai'i, and someone who plans to raise my own keiki on this land, I want our water protected. Water is life, water is the assurance that future generations will live and thrive in Hawai'i. It is not periphery, but essential to the thriving of this community, the thriving of Kanaka Maoli who have lived, cared for and stewarded this land for generations, and those of us like myself, Asian settlers, who continue to learn from Kanaka how to live in right relationship with the land and with each other.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Sara Saltman

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written
Testimony

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Sincerely,
Milton Drageset

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

My name is Cassidy Hollenbeck. I am in full support of Bill 48. I am 20 years old and was raised in Niu Valley. Myself, my family, and my community will be directly impacted by your decisions here today. I want to point out that people my age have very little faith in the democratic processes of our government today. They believe that politicians are more concerned with making money than positive change. The narrative is that you work in the interest of corporate and federal agendas, not for local people like us. Today, right here, you have a decision to make. You can act in the interest of the people of Oahu, protect our life source, and fulfill your promise to represent the people. Or, allow the poisoning of hundreds of thousands of people 's water to continue, and perpetuate the growing distain and resentment of politicians. I ask you: What side of history do you want to be on? I want to be where there is safe, clean water for every Kapuna and Keiki. Where I can trust my leaders to protect the natural resources that bring us life. Don't you?

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Written Testimony

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Representing Self
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Written Testimony I support Bill 48.
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Written Testimony

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony [Share your personal story and how you and your community have been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our water protected holds a lot of weight with decision makers.]

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Aimee Rice

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

I support this bill because even though these precautions should be common sense, it's clear that there are entities that have and will devalue the access to clean water if it's convenient. It's shameful and exhausting that we even have to fight for a policy such as this, but here we are. For the sake of our health, safety, and peace of mind, please move this bill forward and approve it. And then shut down Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility.

In solidarity,

Jessica Hernandez

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

My name is Jessamy Town Hornor. I was born on Maui in the 70s. As a child I could see and hear the Navy bombing Kaho'olawe from our home in Kula on the slopes of Haleakala. My father Michael Town, along with Joel August, young attorneys who worked at Legal Aid, argued and won the court case Aluli v Brown in 1977 that eventually helped end the bombing. Now 40 years later, the bombing has stopped, and cultural and environmental restoration work has been undertaken, but the island will never be the same. The water table is broken. The pūnāwai, that miraculous accumulation of water that supports life, is shattered forever because of the bombs. So here we are again in 2021, with fuel leaking into the aquifers below the Red Hill facility, but this time we are in a position to do all we can to stop this pattern of destruction once and for all. This water provides for all of us who live here - Hawaiians, keiki o ka aina, recent transplants, tourists, and military families - all of us who live on this most populated of Hawaiian Islands, the vital center of our state economy. Please ensure that this is not a second Kaho'olawe.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I **STRONGLY SUPPORT** Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Like many other locals and Native Hawaiians, my husband works for the U.S. Navy as a civilian contractor. He spends 5 days a week and 40 hours on Pearl Harbor Naval Base where he uses facilities for water consumption and to wash his hands (especially during this pandemic). As a public health professional, I understand there are long-term health impacts that might occur to my husband and the many civilian workers and military families impacted by the Red Hill facility storage leaks. Chronic exposure can lead to failure of organs, coma, or even death. The U.S. Navy has already made our local families reliant on them for adequate salaries to survive in our high cost of living economy. Therefore, it is pertinent that they protect those willing to sacrifice their precious land, values, and families for the Navy

by ensuring underground storage tanks are safe and regulated by the City and County of Honolulu. Passing Bill 48 is ensuring the healthy and safety of our people and military families. As an O'ahu resident, I know such a bill is possible as we have seen the strict and fast-acting mandates to protect us from COVID-19.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Samantha Keaulana

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written
Testimony

The recent weeks and past months of contaminated water has heavily affected my community, by restricting everyday use of drinking water and household uses for water. My classmates, family members and peers are experiencing the dangerous threat this contaminated water has to their health and their families health. This has resulted in the uprooting and relocation of their families and besides the unknown health risks, has disrupted their home life and places of rest all while still living in a pandemic. We need to be able to rely on pure and safe water on this island. Native Hawaiians and impoverished people will suffer worse than anyone if this issue goes unchecked. Please act now and in favor of this bill to protect our people.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written
Testimony

As a resident of Palolo Valley, I followed the Red Hill issue for several years and am concerned about the current and future quality of drinking water of my family, friends and community members. I have sent letters to senators and have kept up with the issue, which I see as not having changed much despite the current situation. The Government of Hawaii needs to act quickly and with strength to shut down Red Hill permanently before further damage is caused to our Aquifer. This is an Emergency Situation, and I hope you will take it as such!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important

measure at the council.

SHUT DOWN RED HILL NOW! Mahalo.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Maria Goldschmidt

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written
Testimony

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Isabela Ure

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written Testimony

The generations of people who lived and were born and bred from this 'aina and like myself and my family, we received the gift that is the water which gave us life. It is with the utmost urgency to move Bill 48 forward to allow us to safely receive our water.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Jake Ryann Sumibcay of Kalihi

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. The Red Hill facility, the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important and urgent measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Amy Nishimura

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48 & Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer. Water is literally life. We need it to survive. We are attempting to grow our own food, which we need water to do. Water is necessary for every aspect of life. To cook, clean, for recreation. We live on an island with limited resources. What can we do if the very source of our water is contaminated? Where can we go? What will we do? The Red Hill facility - the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems - has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated Oahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Mahalo for your time, attention, and consideration.

Samantha Tanuvasa

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Res 22-276, bill 48
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Please show aggressive leadership to protect our water. There is no recovery once the water supply is contaminated. The fact that there is no after-the-fact fix means we must demand immediate preventive action. The Navy has the resources, they need our political pressure to help them do the right thing.

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Date: December 14, 2021

To: Councilmember Chair Tommy Waters
Councilmember Vice Chair Kia'aina
Members of the City & County of Honolulu Council

Re: Support for Bill 48, Relating to Underground Storage Tanks

Hrg: December 15 at 10:00 AM, City Council Chamber, via
Videoconference

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

On behalf of Hawai'i Public Health Institute (HIPHI), I write in strong support of Bill 48, which would require any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City and stating that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

HIPHI is alarmed by the recent confirmation of petroleum in our water supply. Fresh, clean drinking water is a precious resource, with access to clean drinking water being a basic human right that is "essential for the enjoyment of life and all human rights."

While the petroleum has only been found in the Navy's water system, it gets water from the same aquifer that provides water to primary drinking water resources for metropolitan O'ahu. For years, advocates and organizations like the Sierra Club have warned about the need to protect our drinking water, as the Red Hill Fuel Tank facility sits only 100 feet above the aquifer that supplies water to over 400,000 people, from Hālawā to Hawai'i Kai. The Red Hill facility has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Closing down the Red Hill facility immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Approximately 93,000 people living in military housing have been unable to use their water for several weeks. Those who have been displaced will not be able to return home for at least six to eight weeks.

This public health crisis was preventable, and we urge the Navy and the State to take swift action to protect our water supply. Clean water is essential for life, and access to clean, safe drinking water being a basic human right.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jaylen Murakami".

Jaylen Murakami
Advocacy & Outreach Coordinator

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self
Written Testimony I, SUPPORT, Bill 48 as a first step. Clean water is a human necessity. Hawaii State needs to protect all of its natural water sources and protect against contamination of any and all kinds.
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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

As a resident of Oahu who depends on clean drinking water for my family and my animals, I strongly support Bill 48. Requiring a permit for underground storage in large volume tanks which would demand that the tanks be guaranteed to be leakproof is simply common sense. No one should be allowed to endanger the water supply on our island. Nor should they be able to endanger the land or ocean environments which have already been negatively affected by leakage at Red Hill. Please protect the water, the land, the sea and life here on Oahu. Thank you for your time and attention.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Council
Committee
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a drinker of Hawaii's delicious and renowned tap water, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

We cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The federal government has repeatedly demonstrated a lack of care for the Hawaii's water. Our local government and municipal offices need to be able to control this situation, because we, the people of Hawaii, are the ones who care most about our natural resources. The military cannot be trusted to preserve and maintain our natural resources. It is simply not in their best interest.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I find it ludicrous that I would need to submit testimony for something that should be a “no brainer”. The recent spillage from the fuel tanks at Red Hill is yet another portent of the disaster lurking around the corner. Whether the tainted water came from the tanks, a spill into a drain, or anything in between, it is crystal clear that we need to do something NOW to head off the inevitable with these ancient tanks. It is not a matter of IF the tanks will fail, but WHEN—a 5-year-old can see the rationale. A billion-dollar price tag is nothing to preserve our LIFE-SUSTAINING water. The State spent this and more on an obsolete, crumbling, debunk rail system without batting an eye. We need to hold the Navy accountable NOW!

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Agenda Item Bill48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

As a Manoa resident, I feel honored to have fresh water every day, water that is everyone's right to have. I want to keep it that way. As is carved on the mauka side of the BWS building, "Pure Water is Man's Greatest Need."

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
Veneeta Acson

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony [Share your personal story and how you and your community have been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our water protected holds a lot of weight with decision-makers.]

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Sincerely,
Adam Laeha

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

I support the removal of the fuel tank (s) that sit above the Red Hill aquifer. I stand with Hawai'i to protect our land(aina), water (wai) and sea (Kanaloa.)

Written Testimony

Sincerely,
Rain
Lorraine Garnier

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bil 148
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony If we've learned anything from the Red Hill mess, it's that any storage tanks cannot be housed right above a vital water source without firm guarantees that the public's water supply will not be put at risk.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

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The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
D. Laeha

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Executive Management
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I strongly support bill 48 requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the city. I personally feel the storage of any chemicals able to render drinking water undrinkable should be kept no where near such a precious resource and a necessity for life.

Mahalo

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony Clean water is a statewide issue. Even though I reside in Hawaii Island, clean and safe water is a right for all residents.

Mahalo.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Fallin

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Moanalua, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

It is clear from the recent fuel contamination and the previous fuel spills that the Navy isn't responsible or capable of safely maintaining their fuel tanks at Red Hill. The recent contamination has sickened many who rely on the Navy's well. As a resident who lives near Red Hill, I am worried about the fuel leaking into the well which supplies many of O'ahu residents' drinking water.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Kiana Otsuka

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

On behalf of my 'ohana, we strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

It is amazing to me that there is even a discussion about this issue rather than immediate action taken to stop the contamination of our water. We live on an island; our water system takes generations to create; and once our systems are contaminated, where else will we go? My 'ohana have been kama'aina of Kalihi Waena for six generations now, living on the very same lands as my great-great-grandmother where I am raising my own child - and without a clean water system, we will no longer be able to live in this area, breaking our generational connection to our lands here.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely and not allowing this type of contamination to occur again are the only ways to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Mahalo nui for the opportunity to share our 'ohana's thoughts about this critical situation and to you for taking action to insure our 'ohana (and our generations to come) are safe.

Mahalo, Erin K. Wright

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

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As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

As residents of this beautiful island, we know how important and sacred water is!! We should be doing everything we can to protect it and keep it safe & healthy FOR EVERYONE!!!!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Crystal Y. Jolley

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Council members,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

Born and raised in Hawai'i, I always felt blessed to have such clean and delicious water that came straight from the ua in the sky. How lucky are we to have such a resource? Going to college in Washington state the water tasted different and I always longed to come home to drink from our pure wai. And now, as a proud mother of two kanaka maoli, I worry about their future - one where they are unable to drink water straight from the tap, or one where they must boil their water before using it, or worse yet, one where they might be forced to drink compromised water. It is every human being's right on this earth to have access to fresh food and clean water and the Navy is unrightfully and deceitfully putting that in jeopardy. It is unacceptable and it will not be tolerated!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the

only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Marcie Ahana

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Written Testimony

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Kamehameha Schools

City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Time: 10:00 a.m.
Date: December 15, 2021
Where: Committee Meeting Room

TESTIMONY
by Kau'i Burgess
Director of Community & Government Relations

RE: Bill 48 – Relating to Underground Storage Tanks

Aloha e ka Luna Ho'omalua Waters, ka Hope Luna Ho'omalua Kia'āina, a me nā Lālā o ka 'Aha o ke Kūlanakauhale a me ke Kalana o Honolulu.

Kamehameha Schools recognizes that the health, well-being and resilience of Hawai'i's communities directly impact the ability of our keiki to succeed in their educational journeys and in life. There are few things as critical to the health of our community as access to clean water.

We are deeply concerned that discharges from the Navy's Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility have contaminated O'ahu's Southern Basal Aquifer, negatively impacting the health of those families that rely on the Navy's Red Hill and 'Aiea-Hālawa shafts for water. We are further concerned that these contaminants could spread to other water sources that our community relies on and into our environment.

The health and safety of our keiki and the environment in which they live is Kamehameha Schools' top priority. Therefore, we applaud the Honolulu Board of Water Supply for taking the precautionary measure of closing its Hālawa shaft, 'Aiea well, and Hālawa well, to reduce the risk of spreading contaminants to other water sources.

We believe immediate action must be taken to identify the source of contamination and prepare and execute a plan that addresses the immediate crisis and mitigates ongoing and future risks. Greater transparency and information sharing are essential so that potential solutions, such as those being considered by the Council today, can be thoroughly reviewed for feasibility and effectiveness, including with community consultation.

If this issue is not promptly addressed and the risk of future discharges is not mitigated, the ongoing health concerns and potential decrease in available water, as the Board of Water Supply has alluded to in its public statements, could result in significant long-term impacts for all of O'ahu.

A reduction in water supply could result in a decrease in economic and other social activities, and a halt in much-needed housing development. For a community still recovering from COVID-19 and in the middle of a housing crisis, these impacts could be profound and last for years to come.

For these reasons, we encourage the Council to take action to address this issue that has the potential to critically impact the well-being all O'ahu residents.

Founded in 1887, Kamehameha Schools is an organization striving to advance a thriving Lāhui where all Native Hawaiians are successful, grounded in traditional values, and leading in the local and global communities. We believe that community success is individual success, Hawaiian culture-based education leads to academic success and local leadership drives global leadership.

Hānai i ke keiki, ola ka lāhui; nurture the child and the people thrive.

Kauai Burgess
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha e Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Like all residents of O'ahu, I am in fear of our water supply being compromised by the tanks at Red Hill as well as other proposals for landfills near our water supply.

I therefore strongly support Bill 48 to require operators of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. Since the bill will stipulate that no permit will be granted unless there is proof the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances, this is an important step for the City and County government to lead and protect citizens, our water supply, and environment.

Written
Testimony

I can not imagine any City Council member not supporting this kind of oversight of underground storage tanks that pose a clear threat of leaking and contaminating our water supply.

The Red Hill facility is old and has a history of leaking fuel, and we now know it has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer and children and families drank this for days or weeks because there is not adequate testing and oversight by our local government.

I ask that you act immediately to 100% guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Thank you for your time and action on this important measure.

Sincerely,
Suzanne Skjold

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Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/Public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Wilhelmina and receiver of water supplied from the Pearl Harbor aquifer, I strongly support Bill 48! The issues at Red Hill have been going on far too long and now have turned into a catastrophe for my family and the other 400,000+ island residents who are relying on this water supply! The Navy's negligence now may cause further strain on the major water supply that is already facing long-term drought conditions and should be held responsible for the effect this will now have over the next years or decades as residents will be forced into conservation measures and could face other longer-term health problems. In addition to any clean up they should also pay the costs for residents to upgrade to water conservation fixtures, rainwater harvesting or other water conservation practices so that the people do not continue to suffer in health or financially due to the Navy's negligence.

Moreover, the fact that the Navy has not provided the necessary upkeep to the tanks over the last decades and has demonstrated malpractice by knowingly, illegally dumping contaminated water into the city's stormwater system is unacceptable and shows a track record that they can no longer be trusted.

Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Sincerely,



Lauren Roth Venu
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Organization
Malu Aina Center for Non-violent Education & Action

As a former resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony
US Military!
Greatest Polluter on Planet Earth
Largest Consumer of oil -- Largest emitter of CO2
Causing Climate Catastrophe & Threat of Nuclear War!

Hawaii is a case study for the planet in terms of military pollution. For the most part military pollution in Hawaii is kept just below the visible surface, so it doesn't openly clash with the tourist industry's profit image of Hawaii as "Paradise of the Pacific." But military fuel leaking into the fresh drinking water just 100 feet below the military's 20 massive Red Hill underground fuel tanks has given light to military pollution. So far the drinking water of more than 93,000 people is known to be contaminated with leaking military fuel. The water smells like fuel and has a sheen to it, and people are getting sick. The contamination could spread to the drinking water of 400,000 people in Honolulu, residents and visitors alike.

Military pollution from Red Hill underground fuel tanks is just one of many sites of military pollution in Hawaii. More than 40 years ago, a book was published that I co-authored entitled "The Dark Side of Paradise – Hawaii in a Nuclear World." That book documents extensive military pollution and can be viewed and downloaded for free at www.malu-aina.org. The link to the book is on the right side of the homepage. Also see the article A Brief History of US Military Poisoning of Hawaii [https://www.transcend.org/.../a-brief-history-of-us.../...](https://www.transcend.org/.../a-brief-history-of-us.../)

The Hawaiian Islands are one of the most militarized, and military polluted places, on the planet, with more than 100 active US military installations and many more abandoned unmarked toxic sites. In addition to increasing military pollution and climate catastrophe, all life on the planet is under the military threat of mushroom cloud extinction caused by nuclear war. Escalating tensions with Russia and China could quickly spiral out of control. The time for de-escalation and diplomacy, not sabre rattling and military build up, is now. No more excuses for doing too little too late. See Back from the Brink, a practical 5 step program to prevent nuclear war. Check out preventnuclearwar.org

The time to DE-militarize Hawaii & the world is NOW!

1. Mourn all victims of violence.
2. Reject violence & war as solutions.
3. Defend civil liberties.
4. Oppose all discrimination, anti-Islamic, anti-Semitic, anti-Hawaiian, anti-Black, anti-Asian, etc.
5. Seek peace through peaceful means and work for justice in Hawai'i and around the world.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

In full support of this bill. I would also encourage the council to further examine all of the military's environmental impacts from their various facilities across O'ahu and introduce more bills to hold them accountable. I further encourage the city and state not to consider any of the upcoming land lease renewals for the military due to this catastrophe, they have proven they are not capable stewards of this land.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. I value our ability to safely drink clean water and am devastated that the Navy has so blatantly disregarded the public health of the island. I live in Halawa and am horrified that we may be at risk for consuming petroleum if this problem is not completely resolved. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Elisabeth Mather

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written
Testimony

These tanks reside directly over a major fresh water source for Oahu and the current harm inflicted onto individuals is a signal of clear and present danger if not removed. Protecting our fresh water source is a non-negotiable, and should not be detracted by promises of fixing these 80 year old tanks. The location is the problem, and is directly related to the greater issue of what the Navy is planning to do with Pearl Harbor. It is a blessing to have this opportunity for prevention and protection, regardless of the excuses for "defense", human life and the need for clean water is a non-negotiable right now. I strongly support Resolution 21-276, in action of complete removal and protecting the aquifer from further irrevocable devastation. The Navy has already committed a grave error by jeopardizing the health of individuals and polluting a major fresh water source of Oahu, and do not have the right to commit further deceit or harm. The appropriate response to this crisis is to shut Red Hill down.

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Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/Public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

3Rwater, Inc is a locally based company that provides a mobile and data platform that supports sustainable, green stormwater infrastructure practices and community-based stormwater management. 3Rwater **strongly supports** Bill 48! The issues at Red Hill have been going on far too long and now have turned into a catastrophe for the 400,000+ island residents who are relying on this water supply. The Navy's negligence now may cause further strain on the major water supply that is already facing long-term drought conditions and should be held responsible for the effect this will now have over the next years or decades as residents will be forced into conservation measures and could face other longer-term health problems. In addition to any clean-up they should also pay the costs for residents and commercial buildings to upgrade to water conservation fixtures, rainwater harvesting or other water conservation and green stormwater infrastructure practices that will help our community build water resiliency during this uncertain period.

Moreover, the fact that the Navy has not provided the necessary upkeep to the tanks over the last decades and has demonstrated malpractice by knowingly, illegally dumping contaminated water into the city's stormwater system is unacceptable and shows a track record that they can no longer be trusted.

Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lauren'.

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha nui e Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, a me nā Councilmembers!

I write to you as a brokenhearted resident of Kamō'ili'ili, Waikīkī, Kona, O'ahu a Lua with a thirst for protecting life on the sands of my birth, in **STRONG SUPPORT** of Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. Bill 48 further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill facility, the crumbling, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems, has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

The existential threat to our wai – our aquifer, our freshwater, our lives – caused by the current state decay at Red Hill is a turning point for our ability to inhabit O'ahu. The choices we make at this moment will define our willingness to protect O'ahu for future generations. As demonstrated in the 'ōlelo Hawai'i word waiwai, value and wealth can be described as an abundance of wai, an abundance of potable freshwater. Your vote will clearly demonstrate what you hold as

waiwai.

Mahalo ā nui for taking up this important measure at the council and for the opportunity to share my mana'o.

Na'u nō me ke aloha 'āina,
na Ryan I. Kaha'i'ōlelo Sueoka

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Honolulu and someone who relies on water to sustain, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We cannot let a catastrophe such as Red Hill happen again in our islands. Such a threat on our environment and water supply isn't just detrimental for some, but all and future generations.

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Aja Toscano

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

I strongly support Bill 48.

Our water is precious and we must ensure it remains safe and secure for future generations.

Written Testimony

The fuel tanks at Red Hill put us all at risk and it is beyond time that the City Council take the initiative to do what is right when it obvious that others have so clearly failed, lied about their failure, and refuse to do what is necessary to correct their failure. The tanks have been demonstrated to be dangerous - they must no longer be allowed.

Mahalo.

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill facility - the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems - has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
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Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Having access to clean and safe water should not be a controversial issue. We all know that we need it to survive and it's in everyone's best interest to protect our drinking water sources. There is no excuse for this water contamination; it needs to be addressed immediately by the responsible party and we need steps taken to ensure that this doesn't happen again. We need our clean water to survive, so let's make sure we take care of it!

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

I am intensely focused on how the current impacts on our water supply will impact longterm sustainability of our local population!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Alan Lennard

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a homeowner living only 10 miles away from Red Hill, I strongly support Bill 48. Given the Navy's lack of fidelity in addressing the real concerns of the community and the stakes involved--contaminating our very water supply--the status quo is unacceptable. We can no longer standby passively as we watch this environmental disaster unfold.

Written Testimony

Everyone who is blessed to live here benefits from this island's aquifer system. Our tap water is clean and delicious so there is no need for bottled water. We are so incredibly fortunate! I can vividly remember family trips to the U.S. continent during which my father would often remark that nothing beats water from Hawaii. Now, with two young sons of my own, I want to make sure that they also have the opportunity to enjoy this precious resource.

I understand that the aquifer is held in public trust. Thank you for taking this measure to the Council and fulfilling your duty to defend this precious resource.

Sincerely,

Daryl Takeno

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Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. I also Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. The recent leaks are but a harbinger of what's to come. The Navy has shown itself to be unwilling to do what's right of its own volition. Instead, they have lied, obfuscated, hidden facts, and clearly want to just get past the current crisis, and not make the changes necessary to protect the future of our water supply.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony As resident of Oahu, mother of 3 young children, and water drinker, it concerns me that there are risks to our environment and water supply. We cannot afford to put our limited resources at risk. This must stop now.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

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Written Testimony [Share your personal story and how you and your community have been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our water protected holds a lot of weight with decision makers.]

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Claire Ann Domingo

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

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Sincerely,
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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Chair Waters and City Council members. My name is Georgia Thompson . I am an Oahu resident and clean water advocate. I am testifying in support of Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276.

I was a military spouse for 20 years and I am deeply ashamed of the Red Hill fuel tanks. The way the US Navy and politicians have mishandled the tanks and failed to protect Oahu's water supply is wrong and shameful. As a military family member and former family support specialist I am deeply disturbed by this ongoing and wholly unnecessary desecration of the fresh water supply on Oahu. A water source from a volcanic aquifer that is even more precious on an island ecosystem.

Written Testimony Since learning more about the Red Hill tanks and how many leaks and problems have been covered up for decades I started to worry about my own family. We were stationed at Hickam and two of my children were born at Tripler. I am now concerned that we may have been exposed to tainted water during a pivotal time in my children's development. I am angry and heartbroken all who have been hurt by this utter disregard for life.

From personal experience I know that the military, funded by taxpayers will cover the costs to put military families in hotels, relocate, and reimburse personal costs related to this water crisis. Is the City of Honolulu prepared to do the same for non-military residents who are poisoned by fuel leaks? Is the city prepared to bill the Navy for these astronomical costs? We all know the answer is no. Besides, there is no dollar figure on life. Money can't repair birth defects or

bring back precious Hawaiian wildlife poisoned by this fuel. It is morally and financially better to solve this problem immediately before any more damage is done.

A polluted aquifer endangers the entire island. There is NO alternative. Do not delay and wait for a bigger crisis. The military must shut down Red Hill and remove the fuel now.

Ola I ka wai

Mahalo for your time,
Georgia Thompson

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Written Testimony	I agree with these bills.
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha,

Written
Testimony

I support Bill 48 as it relates to the use of underground storage tanks, I am concerned with the following statement

"The City Council finds that no underground storage tank or tank system that contains a large volume of petroleum product should be allowed to operate above a sole source aquifer on O'ahu unless it can be established that the tank will not release any regulated substance during its operating life. Such a requirement is consistent with HRS Section 342L-32 and the public trust doctrine." as it to me continues to allows underground storage units to be utilized. I do not feel that there should be ANY use of underground storage over any body of water that will be used for drinking. In addition, no "new" sites should have to be dug out of our precious 'āina to make way for such a holding tank or tanks. Additionally, looking ahead, what trusts could we absolutely put on the tanks and or construction without truly knowing how their lifespans will be tested without truly identifying data points that will help make sense of it. To me, none of it should be allowed moving forward and there needs to be a check and updated inspection to others at Red Hill and anywhere else for that matter. This is a great threat to life here, and lets not forget the current situation at Pu'uloa, where water is not even currently allowed to be touched let alone enjoyed.

In regards to Resolution 21-276 I am pleased to note that the recommendation is highly supported. Decommissioning the Red Hill Fuel tanks is not a question that must be asked, it should be an expectation. Additionally, I would ask that further discussions be

opened to ensure that the Navy incorporates additional outreach, and cleanup of the ocean resources of Pu'u'loa that also threaten the lives of many who no longer have a safe space to gather resources from.
DO NOT LET THE NAVY CONTINUE TO DESTROY OUR HOME.

Mahalo nui,
Kimeona Kane, kimeonakane@gmail.com, 808 398 8989

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Agenda Item Bill
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Written
Testimony

We live in the most isolated place in the world. We experience very tangibly the finitude of our resources; when we rely heavily on imported goods to sustain the population, when our hospitals are at capacity, when our emergency supplies are short in times of natural disaster, etc. We simply CANNOT risk our supply and access to safe, fresh water. Water sustains life, and to keep our aquifers in such a precarious state is to kill us all. We CANNOT prioritize military fuel tanks over our lives. We've seen countless examples of pipelines leaking, poisoning the water of countless communities. We CANNOT allow anyone do that to ours.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha e Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

I am a resident of O'ahu and I strongly support Bill 48 as a step toward protecting our environment and natural resources from being contaminated in the future. It is extremely reasonable to regulate the storing of petroleum products. With the current contamination crisis originating from the Red Hill underground fuel tanks, we are reminded how necessary Bill 48 is to ensure nothing like this happens again that would jeopardize our water supply, our lives.

Written
Testimony

We live on an island and we share resources. We know how essential water is. O'ahu is counting on you to prioritize our precious, shared life source. You can do that by supporting Bill 48.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Kristen

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters and Vice Chair Kia'āina. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify on these action items to address perhaps the most serious threats to our island in many years.

I strongly support both Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276.

I was born and raised in Mō'ili'ili, an area serviced by water from the Board of Water Supply Hālawa Shaft. Today I live in the same home with my spouse and son. We drink with this water. Cook and bathe in it. Wash our clothes and water our plants with it. I have always bragged that we are blessed with the sweetest water.

Written Testimony But the leaking Red Hill tanks are an existential threat to our water and our lives as we know it. In their 78-year history, these tanks have released approximately 180,000 gallons of their poison into our environment. It is a form of slow violence.

This is no longer a hypothetical problem. People have already been sickened and had their lives disrupted by contamination from the Red Hill tanks. Sadly, this disaster was completely avoidable.

The immediate victims are military families and civilians living and working in the areas serviced by the Navy water system. They deserve care, compensation, and justice. But as the Board of Water Supply shuts down its own wells as a precautionary measure and asks the public to conserve water, we can see how quickly the problem can impact everyone on the island. A catastrophic leak would cause unfathomable pain to our community.

If agents of another country had contaminated our drinking water, many would call it an act of terrorism. So why should we not address the threat of the Red Hill tanks with the same determination and urgency?

The Navy has demonstrated that it cannot operate the tanks safely without damaging our environment and threatening public health. There is no way to monitor, repair, mitigate, or retrofit the tanks to eliminate the threat. You simply do not build such dangerous structures over the sources of your drinking water.

The only option is to permanently decommission and clean up the Red Hill fuel tanks. I thank the Council for taking up Resolution 21-276 which calls for the permanent shut down of the Red Hill tanks.

And I applaud the Council for Bill 48 to take back greater regulatory authority over underground storage tanks which can impact our environment. Through its repeated lies, coverups, gaslighting, and obstinance, the Navy has shown only contempt for our community and state and local authorities. Bill 48 helps to assert greater local control over stewardship of our environment.

The time is now for decisive action to protect O'ahu's water. I urge you to approve both measures before you.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Subject: Council Testimony

Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written Testimony

While I do not live in an area that is immediately impacted, I do live in Honolulu and have an understanding of how aquifers function. I have great concern about the future water security of the island even if this bill passes and like many others I am furious that this catastrophe was allowed to occur. Make no mistake, a decision was made by the Navy to do absolutely nothing to prevent this situation because the only real solution was to remove the tanks. This facility should have been relocated long ago. The fact that the Navy has refused to take these actions willingly when all signs (built upon scientific evidence and inspections) pointed to this outcome for years is deplorable. Why did/do they continue to try to gaslight the population about the extent and severity of the situation? They knew this was a likely possibility, why didn't they have plans and equipment in place? Was the safety of the population from which they are leasing the land not worth the money or time? When outrageously high levels were found in the Red Hill shaft, why was their response that it was a nonfunctional section? Maybe they don't know how aquifers function. Or maybe they just don't care since it's not their land and they can pick up and leave

whenever they want. Maybe they should. There was very little trust before this. Now there is none.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Jackie Sutherland

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Agenda Item Bill 48 / Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu, and like every single individual on O'ahu, I require clean water to live and thrive, a basic life need for us all.

I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written Testimony The moment to do this is exactly now. For generations, residents of Hawai'i voiced concerns — Native Hawaiians have sounded alarm bells about the U.S. Navy's Red Hill facility, at the cost of systemic health inequities, derived from colonization, to advocate for all of us. It was not enough. Why were the decades-long voices of reason ignored? And, what happens now that the warnings heeded by Native Hawaiians and allies have materialized into our own worst fears?

The U.S. Navy's Red Hill facility is one of the greatest threats to our everyday lives on O'ahu. We are in the midst of a man-made catastrophe, one that came from total mismanagement and a botched cover-up that the public is only learning about now.

Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our people, our community, our water, and all

of our shared elements. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. (It is difficult to read these words out loud and know that they are true.)

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Sarah V.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

Recent events concerning Red Hill have highlighted why this bill is important to all who live in Hawai'i. I am a teacher and my students have shared with me that their 'ohana have gotten sick, went to the hospital, and have experienced rashes. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. There is no substitute for fresh drinking water and our future generations are looking to us to do what is right.

Sincerely,
Grace Tsubaki

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Council
Committee
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization
Organization Laulea Engineering, LLC
Written Testimony I live in Aiea and after hearing of all the stories of people getting sick, I think it is about time to move the fuel tanks to a safer location.
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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I'm an OBGYN resident physician training with the University of Hawai'i primarily in Honolulu. Just over the past few weeks several patients living in military housing have come to our hospitals with symptoms and/or concerns that their water is contaminated. These include patients who are pregnant and fearful the toxins in the water affect not only them but their pregnancies and future children. I cannot do my job as a physician to care for my patients if they don't have access to such a basic right as clean water. We owe it to our children and grandchildren to continue protecting their rights to clean water. I urge the Honolulu City Council to urgently adopt Bill 48 and prevent the Red Hill tanks from causing further public harm, which has repercussions for generations to come.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City only if the operator proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Written Testimony

Hawaii's drinking water is the best in the world. I have lived in various parts of the country and in other countries where drinking tap water is suspect. You either need an in-home filtration device or buy bottled water. Companies selling bottled water on the continent have been criticized before for putting the word 'Hawaii' in their marketing materials despite their water not coming from Hawaii's natural resources. We have such a precious commodity, one that people all over the world have recognized and come to envy. Yet, we have not treated it with the level of respect that it deserves. As Joni Mitchell sings, "That you don't know what you got 'til it's gone." Sadly enough, it took this crisis for us to realize how precious our water truly is.

It's time we all come together, residents and elected officials alike, to protect and treasure our precious water. It begins with this Council passing Bill 48 and setting an example that we will no longer take our water for granted.

Thank you for your work on this issue and the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,
-Sergio J. Alcubilla

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. we absolutely can not permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. Water is life! We need to do everything we can to protect our island ecosystems and the life giving resources we depend on to live. We cannot let any entity poison our life giving fresh waters. Nothing is worth that. The Red Hill facility with antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems , has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment. Enough is enough! Shutting down the Red Hill facility entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Please protect the people you serve, today and in perpetuity. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council. Sincerely, Kelly Perry

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

As a resident of O’ahu I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City and to prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit such immense threats of environmental contamination to our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As a former director of government affairs for a large public water utility, I am intimately aware of the precarity of the water systems across the United States. The critical responsibility of ensuring the community’s water resources are safe and maintaining the people’s trust in the quality of their drinking water falls to local governments. As the governing body tasked with and serving and defending the rights of the people of O’ahu, you must act now to address the current situation with the Red Hill facility and prevent future catastrophe.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Act now. Don’t let Oahu become examples like Flint, MI or Charleston, WV - where municipalities abdicated their responsibilities and abandoned their residents. Serve instead as an example of effective local government that protects both its natural environment and its people.

Thank you

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
As a concerned citizen and as a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. Every citizen should be entitled to clean and fresh water that isn't dangerous. There is no excuse to allow leakage into such a large water supply continue when it threatens the health and well-being of O'ahu's citizens.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I have been organizing with Uprooted and Rising in California to pressure the University of California to divest from TMT that is to be built on Mauna Kea. The desecration of sacred waters and mountains is not new but now more than ever we must take immediate action to prevent further damage to Hawaiian lands. We must listen to kanaka and their lands to protect their physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual health

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Diana Garcia

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

My family grew up in red hill. The disgust I feel knowing the sickness that militarization has caused for the past seven decades is proof that colonization and imperialism has little to no care for native Hawaiians AND Hawai'i residents.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization
Organization Waihuena farm
Aloha chairs and council members

Written Testimony Please pass this critical measure.
We must inventory any threat to our vital resource.

Mahalo
Meleana judd-cox
Waihuena Farm

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Walters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Council Memebers,

As a family member of O'ahu residents and as an environmentalist and educator, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, obtain a permit from the city. The applicant should have to prove that no tank system should leak substances in the environment in order for that permit to be granted.

Written
Testimony

It is incredibly dangerous and irresponsible to have storage tanks with fuel like petroleum and diesel stored only 100 feet above the O'ahu drinking water supply. Families have been getting sick and going to the hospital due to the ongoing leaks. There has been a history of leaks from the red hill fuel storage tanks and storing them will not be sustainable I'm the long term.

The U.S military and navy has a history of environmental pollution. Places like Kaho'olawe and Bikini Atoll are now polluted and uninhabitable due to the Navy's actions. The safety of the community and people of Hawai'i should be the utmost priority. Shutting down red hill is the only way to guarantee the community of O'ahu's safety. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify and taking this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Caitlin Poe

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Agenda Item	Bill 48
Your position on the matter	Support
Representing Organization	Self
Written Testimony	Please protect the water for us and future generations. Water is the most precious form of life for us.
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH
Committee Transportation, Sustainability and Health
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on
the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony I, SUPPORT, Bill 48. Pure Water is a necessity. Hawaii State needs to do everything it can to maintain clean, pure drinking water sources from any and all kinds of threats and contaminations.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Transportation, Sustainability and Health
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.
I am very concerned about how the safety of our water supply has escalated to this level with an absence of accountability to the ones who are making important decisions that impact our the health of our community and the 'āina. I hope that the current crisis will be used as an opportunity to require the influential players to correct the massive negative impact on their negligence and as an opportunity to create better safeguards and protection for O'ahu in the future.
The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.
Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.
Sincerely,
Megan Dooley

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha nui to the Chair of Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Council members,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Isaac Nahuewai

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a previous resident of Hālawā and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

To know that people I love and that neighbors around me have their health jeopardized by living where they live, drinking water that they should be able to trust, is greatly disappointing. The military needs to act quickly and own up to the destruction they have wrought on these islands, with Red Hill and all the harm to the 'aina they have inflicted. Folks should be able to trust their water and stewards of this place, people aiming to protect these people, etc. should feel called to do so. Act now -- own up to the mistakes -- protect the people.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important

measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Lilleana Thomey

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

In case you missed it, a series of severe leaks in the Navy's jet fuel storage tanks in Red Hill has contaminated the drinking water of at least a 100,000 O'ahu residents. The Honolulu City Council has introduced a bill requiring underground storage tanks over 100,000 gallons to be permitted only if the tank or tank system is guaranteed not to leak and a resolution urging the permanent removal and relocation of the Red Hill storage tanks have been introduced.

The council is holding a special hearing this Wednesday, December 15, at 10AM to discuss Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276. I urge you to submit testimony on both by Tuesday, December 14, 10am. (Although late testimony is always accepted)

Written Testimony

O'ahu's communities have already begun and will continue facing the impacts of this crisis for many, many years to come. Just last week, Board of Water Supply's Ernie Lau said that the Hālawa shaft – which was shut down as a precaution following the Navy's Red Hill well contamination – could be shut down for years, even permanently. We will have to deal with the long-term impacts of this crisis while the possibility of a greater catastrophe looms, all while Navy officials cycle in and out every 3-5 years leaving behind the damage that they contributed to during their terms.

This is a chance for us to stress the impacts that the existence of leaky Red Hill tanks have on our families and communities now and for generations to come. A chance for us to ensure that elected officials finally do what's right for and are held accountable to the

people they serve.

Latest on Red Hill here - from the Sierra Club of Hawai'i

HOW TO SUBMIT TESTIMONY:

Written testimony can be submitted online here. Sample testimony for both the bill and reso included below. You can also find additional talking points here.

Name:

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Hearing Date: 12/15/2021

Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing

Agenda Item: Bill 48

Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Please encourage the Navy to access the \$700 billion dollars just allocated to the military to move these tanks.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

Michele Nihipali

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Bill 48 SHUT DOWN RED HILL
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

The people of Hawaii, and all its wildlife are IN DANGER. With the pollution of the aquifer an entire population is put at risk of being poisoned from the one thing that is vital across all living organisms. The waters are sacred. Shut down Red Hill. Demilitarize Hawaii. Clean up the mess that has been made for over a century. Clean it up. It's time the government and its military are held accountable for the mess that they have made.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

My husband and I go several times a week to a filtered water kiosk to fill up our 5 gallon jugs with filtered water. Each week that is almost \$8. We do this because we know it's the cleanest way to get water now. Tap water is flammable in many places throughout mainland USA and now - jet fuel found in Hawaii water? It makes me feel like we wasted years of time and money on other infrastructure projects when we should be investing in water security.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
Mia Ford

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Agenda Item 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I Believe The Public Should Not Endure The Horrible Decision Of The Navy To Have Abandoned The Fuel Tanks Without Regarding Its Age And Possible Leaks Into Surrounding Land Area's. This Is Absolutely Unacceptable In This Day And Age To Continue Harming Hawaiians And Their Lands. These Islands Were Pristine And Unpolluted Before The 1941 War Came To Our Beautiful Hawaiian Island's And Its People. Keep Hawai'I Clean!!!

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Red hill
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony
The navy disregards locals safety by failing to fix, remove, restore... their fuel tanks and continue to pollute the environment and oahus drinking water. This is unacceptable! Devious! Horrific! And an act of war against the Hawaiian/local people!! The navy/military needs to be put accountable, punished and leave the Hawaiian islands! No more military! No more navy! No more!!!!

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

The Navy and US military has shown an enduring and appalling disregard for the safety and well being of Hawai'i residents and Hawaiian lands. People had to put their bodies on the line to get the military off Kaho'olawe, and that was only after they had already bombed the island to the point of unhabitability. The same disregard can be seen here with the Red Hill tanks at Kapūkakī. The Navy has known about this leaking for years and even after these repeated leaks they have done nothing to prevent something catastrophic! Even after poisoning a bunch of people, they've put up resistance to taking any sort of action, and they still believe that these tanks are a sustainable option! They clearly do not care about the fate of people living on O'ahu, and the reason for that is they that in the end, they can leave once the island is damaged beyond repair. Kanaka Maoli and Hawai'i residents, cannot, and should not be put into the position anyway.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting

systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Beyond that, we should recognize that this kind of storage will never be safe: tanks will always, eventually, leak, it’s naive to think that they will last forever and to allow them to be so close to be so close to our aquifer is simply reckless.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Jacob Shearer

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

Written
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As a resident of Hawai'i and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Although I physically live on Hawai'i Island, it is my inherent birthright to help preserve our most precious natural resources, to think the surrounding communities are not going to be impacted by contaminated water is far from the truth, we are all going to be impacted. The personal connection I feel to want our water protected is in your hands as decision makers for the present and future generations.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the

only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
Naomi Tachera

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Self
Organization

Here are my thoughts on this paragraph from the S/A:

One is Bill 48, which would not allow anyone to operate an underground storage tank that holds more than 100,000 gallons without approval from the city through a permit. The permit would also not be granted unless the operator could demonstrate that the tank would not leak during its operating life.

Written
Testimony

The second sentence would not work. How can anyone demonstrate the tank will not leak during its lifetime? A better solution would be to have only double-walled steel tanks with leak detection sensors in place. This is the problem with the Navy tanks. They are only single walled tanks. All double-walled tanks come with a notification system like Veeder-Root that not only can monitor for leaks but it can tell you how many gallons are in the tank at any given time which is matched with how many gallons dispensed so if the numbers are off then you will suspect a leak. For above-ground storage tanks like I have been constantly proposing the extra protection would be a spill-containment pit in case a leak occurs while filling the tanks. The above-ground storage tanks are encased in 6"-12" of concrete and they look like large shipping containers. I suggest calling M. Nakai at 841-7581 and ask for Scott or N. Nakai at 848-1496 and ask for Neil. You can use my name since while at Marine Corps Base Hawaii I worked with them extensively. Most gas stations do not have the space for above-ground storage tanks but the Navy does and that is why I have been so adamant about the Navy using them. A while back (20 plus years) there was an EPA regulation mandating that all single-walled steel

tanks needed to be replaced with double-walled tanks and that is why so many stations closed. They could not afford the \$500,000 to replace their two or three tanks. I realize most of you are tired of hearing from me but in this case there is a lot at stake and not just money so I hope at least one of you will believe me and consider my suggestions and also call either Scott or Neil for advice on how to formulate your Bill.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters and Councilmembers,

Like everyone in this room today I rely on fresh water to live. Water is life.

Written
Testimony

This emergency hearing is happening because the Navy has not only been negligent, but also intentionally misleading, and has threatened the lives and well being of their own service members and in extent the whole island of Oahu. The RedHill fuel tanks have a history of leaking and the Navy themselves have admitted they are "impossible to upkeep" due to the design. Therefore they should not be allowed to operate under RedHill because their inability to maintain the storage tanks threaten all of our lives.

I fully support bill 48, and if the Navy should request permission in the future they should be denied. They US Navy is currently the largest threat to the safety and future of our water and therefor our lives.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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FROM

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ROYAL PALACE

OF

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**Ms. Angela Kaaihue
98-673 Kilinoe St., Aiea, HI. 96801**

- 1. AS YOU ALREADY KNOW, I'VE WRITTEN SEVERAL LETTERS, AND PERSONALLY DELIVERED THEM TO YOU ALL.**
- 2. THIS WATER CONTAMINATION IS BECAUSE THE MILITARY HAS THE LAST SAY IN POWER AND CONTROL. HAWAII IS NOT THE HAWAII IT SHOULD BE. THE FUEL TANKS. . . HAWAII IS TOO VALUABLE TO ALMOST LOSE AGAIN.**
- 3. AS A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER, IVE ASKED FOR SUPPORT FOR OUR UNIT 300 UNIT PROJECT, AND TOLD LIE AFTER LIE AFTER LIE. NO INFRASTRUCTURE, WELL, MAYBE IF ALL THEM PEOPLES MOVE AND EVACUATE BECAUSE THEIR WATER SOURCE IS CONTAMINATED AND NO ONE IS AROUND, THEN THE SEWER CAPACITY WILL BE FIXED, HUH?! IS THAT WHAT IT TAKES?**
- 4. BECAUSE ALL THEM HOMEOWNERS, THINK THEY SO "STUCK UP". REMEMBER IT IS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS THE ONES THAT RAISED THE VALUE OF YOUR HOUSES DOUBLE-TRIPLE THE VALUE OF WHAT IT WAS 2 YEARS AGO. AND ALSO GAVE YOU THAT MORTGAGE TO BUY YOUR HOME. YET, YOU STILL "CRAP" ALL OVER THE MILITARY.**
- 5. IM TOLD THAT THE SEWER LACKS CAPACITY, THEN FIX IT. OR WE WILL FIX IT FOR YOU! OUR INVESTORS ARE STANDING BY TO FIX IT, AND DON'T BE JACKING UP THE PRICES LIKE YOU DID THE RAIL LINE. AND THE CITY DOESN'T WANT TO FIX IT, BECAUSE IT TAKES 10 YEARS TO FIX SOME PIPES? YAH RIGHT, SEE THAT'S A LIE.**
- 6. JUST LOOK THE GOVERNOR, STRUGGLING FOR POWER. LOOK AT ERNEST LAU, CRYING TEARS. YOU FORGOT THAT 2000+ ACRES OF OAHU LAND IS BEING LOST THROUGH ADVERSE POSSESSION. YAH, I REMEMBER YOU, REMEMBER ME? YOU TOOK 10 FEET ACCESS HELPING THE OTHERS TO GAIN ACCESS WITH YOUR LAWSUIT, YOU ALREADY HAD AN EASEMENT, BUT SUED US ANYWAY TO HELP THE OTHERS, HUH? AND DIDN'T GIVE US FAIR COMPENSATION. REMEMBER? I DO.**
- 7. ANYONE LISTENING? BECAUSE YOU THINK IM NOT TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY, RIGHT? OR IS THE STEALERS CONSPIRING TRYING TO DEPRIVE US OF OUR RIGHTS? TRYING TO STEAL OUR PROJECT? YOU TRYING TO STEAL OUR LANDS? YOU ARE A STEALER, CONSPIRATAOR, AND A THIEF!! YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE!! A WANNABE!!**

8. **AND WHY WE THE ONLY STATE WEARING STUPID MASKS? INSTILLING FEAR INTO OUR PEOPLE, MAKING PEOPLE TAKE THE JAB??!! FOR POWER AND CONTROL, WEIRDO!**
9. **WE LIVE IN A CORRUPT STATE, LIES EVERYWHERE. TELL ME REALLY, DID THE GOVERNOR IGE REALLY WIN, OR IS THERE ELECTION FRAUD HERE TOO,**
10. **HOW WE ARE SO BLINDED BY THE FRAUD, PERHAPS WE DIDN'T ACTUALLY VOTE OUR LEADERS IN, HOW CAN SOMEONE BE SO ARROGANT TO BELIEVE, THAT EXCEL NUMBER SPREADSHEET CAN'T BE CHANGED OR MANIPULATED. EVEN THE PAST CHIEF OF POLICE LIES. DON'T BELIEVE EVERYTHING YOU HEAR, BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE BEING BOUGHT AND SOLD OUT, THEY COULD BE FORCED TO LIE TOO. YOU GOT TO KNOW THAT TOO. "LIARS, LIARS, LIARS, YOUR TONGUE IS GOING TO BE ON FIRE."**
11. **AS FOR THE MILITARY, THIS IS A WARNING TO THE CIVILIANS, GET YOUR ACT STRAIGHT. THIS IS GODS COUNTRY, AND HAWAII MUST BE DOING SOMETHING REALLY BAD FOR THIS TO HAPPEN.
LOOK, WE CAN'T EVEN BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO HELP 300 FAMILIES, BUT I BET, IF IT WAS SOMEONE ELSE, LIKE GOVERNOR IGE'S BROTHER, HE COULD. SO WHO IS HIS BROTHER? BECAUSE HE'S BEEN ANXIOUSLY KNOCKING AT MY DOOR STEPS.**
12. **THE INFRASTRUCTURE IS ALREADY THERE. I HAD APPROVAL FOR 150 UNITS IN THE PAST, BUT NOW, THEY SAYING THE LINE IS SAGGING AND WILL TAKE 10 YEARS TO FIX? YAH RIGHT? THAT'S ANOTHER BOGUS LIE AND DUMB EXCUSE. SO YOU GONNA TEAR DOWN MR. PETER SAVIO'S PARKING STRUCTURE TO FIX IT IN 10 YEARS, YAH RIGHT?? HOWS ABOUT WE REROUTE THE DAMN THING, AND WE LOAN THE MONEY TO THE CITY TO FIX IT. SEE HOW EASY THE FIX IS?**
13. **IT CAN BE FIXED IN 1 YEAR. IF PEOPLE MOVE OUT OF THE WAY, SO EASY, SO SIMPLE, TRENCH, THE ROAD, AND LAY BIG PIPES DOWN. IT AINT' ROCKET SCIENCE FOLKS. STOP MAKING SOMTHING SO SIMPLE SO COMPLICATED. THAT IS WHAT IS WRONG WITH PEOPLE AND SOCIETY. IM ASKING TO IMPROVE THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT IS LOCATED ALONG THE MASS TRANSIT RAIL LINE? IN WHICH 11 BILLION DOLLARS HAVE BEEN SPENT, AND YET YOU TELLING ME NO INFRASTRUCTURE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING?**
14. **3 THINGS MY GRANDFATHER TAUGHT ME, HE TOO WAS A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER IN AUSTIN TEXAS. WE NEED WATER, FOOD, AND HOUSING FOR SURVIVAL. WITHOUT THAT, WE CAN'T LIVE HERE. GOT TO EVACUATE, AND MOVE OUT.**
15. **1 MORE THING, WE NEED TO KNOW HOW TO GET ALONG WITH OTHER PEOPLE, AND IF YOU ARE STOPPING PEOPLE FROM SURVIVING, KARMA WILL GET YOU. ITS NOT FUNNY AT ALL IF YOUR STEALING SOMEONES PROPERTY. YOU WILL PAY THE PRICE.**

16. REMEMBER THIS, SOME PEOPLE KNOW HOW TO SURVIVE BETTER THAN OTHERS. SO HOW LONG WILL YOU SURVIVE WITHOUT CLEAN WATER?
17. PEOPLE CONSERVING WATER NOW?? EVEN MORE SO, NOW IS A GOOD TIME TO FIX IT THE INFRASTRUCTURE, AND DO IT FAST IF YOU WANT THE WATER BACK ON. PEOPLE ARE USING LESS WATER NOW.
18. AND BEFORE THE MILITARY FAMILIES START LOOKING FOR OFF BASE HOUSING, AND THEN WE CAN HAVE MORE OF A HOUSING CRISIS. MORE HOMELESSNESS. AND THEN WE CAN BUILD IT, YOU KNOW THOSE 300 UNITS THAT I'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT.
19. I'VE BEEN ASKING FOR SEVERAL MONTHS NOW, AND BEING TOLD ITS GOING TO TAKE 10 YEARS? THAT IS CRAZY. I DON'T BUY THOSE LIES. DO WE ALL WANT TO WAIT 10 YEARS FOR HOUSING?
20. DEAN UCHIDA-YOU LIEING, OF THE DPP SAID IT WILL TAKE 10 YEARS. YOU ASKED ME TO TRUST YOU, YAH RIGHT? TRUST YOU ABOUT WHAT? WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO TRUST YOU ABOUT?
21. WE ARE READY NOW TO BUILD IT. JUST BETTER MAKE SURE OUR PERMITS GET APPROVED, I MEAN LIKE DAMN? I GOT TO ASK FOR PERMIT APPROVAL, FOR THIS SO VERY MUCH NEEDED HOUSING PROJECT? SO WHO STANDS IN THE WAY OF APPROVING OUR PERMITS? WHAT LIES ARE THEY GOING TO FABRICATE TO STOP US FROM MAKING MONEY? I THINK SOMEBODY GOT THEMSELVES IN A CATCH-22, HUH? YOU KNOW THEM PEOPLE TRYING TO STEAL THE PROJECT? YOU CAN'T FIGHT WHAT IS RIGHT, BRO. KEEP YOUR LIES TO YOURSELF, CAUSE ILL PUBLISH IT FOR ALL TO SEE.
22. NO FORGET WE'D LIKE THE A-2 REZONE, AND SUBDIVISION, AND WHATEVER ELSE THEY ASKING FOR, EXPEDITE THE PERMITS, INCENTIVES, EVERYTHING YOU PROMISED THE OTHER DEVELOPERS, WE WANT THE SAME THINGS TOO AND EVEN MORE, OKAY? SEE HOW EASY THAT IS? IT'S NOT HARD AT ALL. YOU DON'T NEED TO BE A ROCKET SCIENTIST. YOU JUST NEED TO STOP THE LIES AND THE MORE LIES. AND TAKE US SERIOUSLY.
23. AND THEN I CAN ALMOST GUARANTEE THE WATER WILL COME BACK ON.

ANGELA KAAIHUE, A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self
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As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As a mother of two young keiki growing up here on Oahu I urge you to protect our precious water sources for the future of generations to come. Our communities should not have to fear being displaced from our beloved island home because of this disaster. Hawaii deserves better. This beautiful, abundant island takes care of us all, from mauka to makai, its mana nurtures every living thing, and we need to do everything in our power to protect our wai and our 'āina. Aloha 'Āina ~Ola I Ka Wai.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Elyse Butler

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Written
Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers, As a water drinker and a person who has many family and friends that reside on O'ahu, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

When I first became aware of the leak and the well contamination, every time I washed my dishes or did the laundry or took a shower or drank a glass of water I became anxious and worried. What would happen if I couldn't do these things anymore? What would I do? We live on an island. There is only so many aquifers available to use and we have some of the most purest waters in the world. We cannot survive without water and our island, our home cannot survive without it.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Brooke L Hutchins

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Aloha Chair Waters and Councilmembers,

As a resident of Honolulu, I strongly support Bill 48, which requires any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. No such permits should be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank system does not and will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

It is penny-wise and pound foolish to permit underground storage tanks of that capacity that can leak threat destructive chemicals into our soil environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

The Red Hill facility and its antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems unfortunately has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment. Red Hill has a very bad track record for safety and this Navy facility has already partially contaminated Honolulu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill now is the only sensible way to guarantee the safety of our water for our people, including Navy personel and their families.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this very important measure at the council.

Sincerely yours,
Jon Brodziak

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Written
Testimony

We been talking about this for decades, the wai issue affects first and foremost Kanaka Maoli (houseless, incarcerated, working class) on Oahu who are not having their needs met to the extent that military families are. I have to constantly check-in with my sister who is attending UH Mānoa to make sure she has water, to see if her or her partner are feeling any symptoms of sickness from the toxins in the water. If this pilikia is not taken seriously, you will see Oahu become uninhabitable and the increase of a Kanaka Maoli diaspora due to military eco-terrorism.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important

measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Kahala

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha mai kākou,

Written Testimony

My name is Hannah Malia May Ling Rossetti, and I am a teacher on the Wai'anae Coast. I am writing testimony in support of Bill 48, because the lives of my students, as well as all of the children of Hawai'i rely on the protection of our fresh water. My heart is pained at the thought of my students and other students of Hawai'i having to attend school without safe running water to drink. Knowing that a Leeward Elementary school has already tested positive for fuel in their water brings more stress and worry into my work and personal life, as well as the lives of my students. I cannot help these children grow without fresh, drinkable water. I myself cannot live without water. Water and the need for it to survive is something that all living things have in common. Without our fresh water, life on our islands will cease to exist.

It is time to decommission Red Hill, and ensure that the future generations will have the resources they and their posterity will need to survive. Anything less than decommissioning the tanks and removing the thousands of gallons of fuel off island is absolutely unacceptable. We cannot risk our water.

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As a resident of Hawai'i and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

Our 'ohana come from the east end, but I have family who live in Ewa Beach at Kapilina which is one of the effected areas, and I am deeply concerned for their health. My cousin is 8 months pregnant with her first child and I fear for her unborn child and how this water contamination has already affected her in the womb.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Hawaiians are always expected to "show aloha" to anyone and everyone who arrives on our shores, and to give them the vacation of their dreams. But little do they know of the real pain that we endure. When will our lives matter? Our people have suffered enough from this prolonged illegal occupation of the US military. It's time they were

held accountable for the irreparable harm they have caused.

Me ke aloha,
Mehana Kihoi

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We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

Water is life! It is unconscionable that tanks should have been built above our water sources in the first place, and the history of non-compliance and lack of accountability are stunning. This situation must be immediately remedied and no new tanks must be placed that in any way endanger our water, our communities, human and non-human. As a teacher of kuleana and ethics, please do not let this be yet another example for my students to analyze the repercussions of abuse of power, economics, mismanagement, and accountability in relation to our environment and all life in Hawai'i.

I urge you to immediately shut down Red Hill permanently and ensure this does not ever happen again in our islands.

Thank you to this council for taking serious the voices of your communities.

Sincerely,
Cameron Mahealani Ahia

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Red Hill
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written
Testimony

Thank you Councilmember Cordero and Council Chair Waters for introducing what looks to be the FIRST City bill aimed at addressing the Red Hill Fuel Storage Tanks. Equally, thank you Councilmember Kia'aina for introducing the ONLY City resolution to officially ask for the closure and relocation of the Red Hill tanks. I thank all of you for your leadership and foresight.

Since 2014 the City Council has adopted approximately five resolutions which have mostly "urged" the Navy to expedite fortifications and planned improvements to the twenty deteriorating fuel tanks at Red Hill. Not one of these resolutions officially and unequivocally requested closure or relocation of the tanks. A request for tank relocation wasn't officially mentioned by the Council until Resolution 18-266, four years later. However, then again, tank relocation was not the primary alternative for the City. Officially, secondary containment was preferred. The Board of Water Supply, while consistently reporting on the looming threat, supported each of these resolutions requesting tank fortifications and improvements. We have always known that politely urging the Navy, DOH, and EPA to do the right thing would not be enough, it never is.

Although technically the DOH is charged with the protection of groundwater, the Board of Water Supply manages our aquifers. And while the political and economic ramifications of clashing with the Navy are obvious, our City should have clearly demanded closure and relocation of these tanks almost a decade ago.

As the Council tries to deal with this disastrous situation, I hope that you will ask the State Legislature to increase public participation and transparency in these types of issues by creating a citizen advisory board on federal affairs. Further, that you will work to fortify and

empower the Board of Water Supply as a semi-autonomous agency, untethered by politics or other state departments, to ensure that it can swiftly act to protect our Island's water in the future.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'aina, and council members,

As a resident of Oahu and a water drinker, a human being who needs fresh pure water to survive, as do my children and family and loved ones, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony

As a Native Hawaiian who views water as the representation of our akua Kane, having to fight for the protection of our most vital resource from the hands of the U.S Navy has brought immense mental anguish and trauma. We continue to be oppressed by the over militarization of our lands, of the continued abuse of our resources and the denial and lies we continue to hear from the Navy is traumatizing. This is historical and cultural trauma that has gone on for too long.

The Red Hill facility - the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer.

Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Mahalo,
Kealii

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

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Mahalo,

Adam

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

As a resident of Hawai'i and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Our 'ohana come from the east end, but I have family who live in Ewa Beach at Kapilina which is one of the effected areas, and I am deeply concerned for their health. My cousin is 8 months pregnant with her first child and I fear for her unborn child and how this water contamination has already affected her in the womb.

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Hawaiians are always expected to "show aloha" to anyone and everyone who arrives on our shores, and to give them the vacation of their dreams. But little do they know of the real pain that we endure. When will our lives matter? Our people have suffered enough from this prolonged illegal occupation of the US military. It's time they were held accountable for the irreparable harm they have caused.

Me ke aloha,
Mehana Kihoi

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

I hope to visit Hawai'i as a tourist in the future and simply do not feel it is safe or responsible to do so with Red Hill in operation. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Executive Management
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony I strongly support bill 48 requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the city. I personally feel the storage of any chemicals able to render drinking water undrinkable should be kept no where near such a precious resource and a necessity for life.

Mahalo

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony The spills by Red Hill have happened before and will happen again if adequate action is not taken. The wellness of the people of Hawai'i and the land are far more important and vital than military fuel tanks. Our kuleana to the land needs us to protect the people of Hawai'i to honor those who came before us and protect future generations. Mahalo nui loa for your time, consideration, and efforts in protecting the people and land of Oahu

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

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It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

We shouldn't only be significantly more strict about allowing permitting with proof that it won't leak, but there needs to be administrative oversight, on at least a biannual basis for the board of water supply to do their own testing and walkthroughs of the permitter's facilities. It is inexcusable for the military to get leases all over our islands without appropriate oversight of environmental impact. We cannot rely on an institution built on imperialism, colonization and oppression to do the right thing on an island of indigenous people, when they are willing to poison their own military families and lie about it.

Over the weekend, my partner showered and got out with a rash and having a hard time breathing. When I open my tap, I have a knot in my stomach wondering if I am slowly drinking poison, knowing that the people who are supposed to take care of this, are only invested in money and power, not health and well being of our community. I am constantly anxious, in a time when we don't know if illness is allergies, a cold or covid, now we can add poisoning to the list, due to lack of oversight.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Mariana Monasi

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Protect our aquifer
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

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[Share your personal story and how you and your community have been impacted. That personal connection you feel to wanting our water protected holds a lot of weight with decision makers.]
The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.
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Sincerely
June Misaki

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Rika S.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

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My community will be impacted by the water crisis at Red Hill because if the issue isn't fixed water will need to be diverted from my community of Wai'anae and my doesn't produce enough water right now to feed my community. If the water of Red Hill is contaminated, how do we know that contamination isn't going to travel into my aquifer?
The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Council
Committee
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

The Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility has threatened our most precious resource. This is a time where we can set the tone of what we won't accept as a society for our earth and it's people. Stricter regulations on where fuel storage facilities can be housed is the least we can do. Not to mention higher standards on the equipment and frequent checks on the water supply. Seems simple especially when we are talking about children drinking contaminated water for most likely much longer than what is being talked about. There must be action to show that this is unacceptable and we must make change happen.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

As a professional working in climate change and conservation issues and as a Honolulu resident that drinks the waters from our aquifer I am incredibly concerned about the Red Hill fuel tanks. Our water is a vital and finite resource. We quite literally cannot survive without it. The life, wellbeing, and economic viability of our entire city depends on this aquifer it is simply too precious to risk ANY contamination. I urge you to please protect our waters and pass Bill 48. There is literally no greater responsibility for our leaders than to protect the health and wellbeing of the community. Protecting our waters is essential in this.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

I am a resident of Honolulu, writing to urge you to protect the health and well-being of Hawaii residents by:

- Doing whatever it takes to immediately and permanently decommission the Red Hill fuel tanks and provide a safe, adequate replacement.
- Setting up a water treatment system for the currently contaminated water. Emptying wells into the environment without treatment is reckless and irresponsible. It has the potential to harm local coral reef systems and local water.

Written
Testimony

I understand that decommissioning the tanks and creating an up-to-date fuel storage will have a huge financial cost. But nothing is more important than having safe drinking water and intact ecosystems.

The Navy has been dishonest on the safety of our drinking water and has not done their job in keeping the fuel tanks operable or protecting the aquifer. Hawaii residents and our fragile ecosystems are being poisoned.

Please help right this wrong.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Two days prior to the shocking stories reported on the news of families in the Pu'uloa area experiencing the affects of water contamination by fuel, my husband & some of our 'Ohana i ke Akua (family of faith) were sign waving in protest of the Kapūkakī (Red Hill) fuel tanks which had leaked 14,000 gallons about a week prior posing a continual threat to the aquifer (one of O'ahu's main water sources) lying only 100 feet below the tanks. My personal sign read, "180,000+ gallons of fuel LEAKED" (since they were built). My husband's read "Protect People from Poison" and others' read "OLA i ka Wai", "Google Red Hill Spill" and from one of our keiki, "Keep fuel OUT of our Water". We knew the urgency and had a sense that many of the passerby's in the Ala Moana area knew not that the aquifer in danger of contamination supplies their very water. Surely the tons of tourists didn't know they too could be directly affected. We of Ko'olaupoko knew that if the water becomes contaminated and inaccessible, they will need to take water from our 'āina and communities just as they will from other places on O'ahu.

Then it happened...two days later the news hit! People reporting burning skin, adults & children getting sick and the smell, taste & affects of water contamination were clearly seen and experienced first hand, yet the reports of water sampling to follow was that it was still safe!

Today, contamination is being reported farther 'Ewa, the Halawa shaft is also shut as a precaution and Board of Water Supply continues to wait for the Navy to inform them of the source of the leak! This whole crises is a nightmare of such magnitude that it's difficult to even stay engaged without becoming enraged or feeling hopeless. But we must take action now - because we are already too late. Clearly the Navy needs to be held accountable for their ongoing inaction, irresponsibility complete lack of transparency and dishonesty. For years they have dismissed the concerns of the people including the Board of Water Supply and Department of Health (who calls these tanks "inherently dangerous"). Who will enforce any kind of consequences to their recklessness? We must enact bills and resolutions as part of the efforts to protect the gift of our Wai which gives OLA (life, healing, thriving) to all living things.

As kānaka 'oiwi o kēia 'āina, we know it is our kuleana to protect and steward our sacred 'āina - he kānāwai o ke Akua. I urge you to take action with Bill 48 now.

The Kapūkakī (Red Hill) facility is fragile and old with a long history of leaking thousands of gallons of fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down this facility immediately and entirely is the only way at this point to protect the safety of our Wai, 'Āina and people - our Hawai'i - both now and in the future.

Mahalo NUI no ko 'oukou ho'olohe 'ana mai.

Ke aloha i ke AKUA,

Moanike'ala Nanod-Sitch

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48 - resolution
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Written Testimony
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Meeting Date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee:
Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Bill 48
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair, Kia'aina, and Councilmembers,

I write this letter to you in strong support of Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City.

It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

As a kanaka owi and part Asian settler, connected to this land through ancestral ties but also as a visitor to this please, It is important to me to fulfill my kuleana to malama and care for the people of this aina, and the aina herself. Protecting the safety of our drinking water is connected to that kuleana. The leak of posion into our water is not negotiable. This is life or death. As an individual who does not have political power but only the power of my voice, I am doing my part, writing this letter to beg you to use YOUR power and fulfill your kuleana of protecting and caring for the people of Oahu and the land. I implore you to ensure our safety and fulfill your vow that you made to serve our community.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Marissa Ing

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written Testimony I was raised in Aiea, close to Red Hill and work as a public servant. It is our responsibility to protect the people and land of our home. Now is the time to do what is right.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Aloha, barney

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

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Written
Testimony

I am an alumnus mentor at a dramatic arts youth organization based in Kalihi, my hometown, a place that will be directly impacted by the poisonous Red Hill Fuel tanks if no action is taken. At rehearsals, we've spent time with our youth talking story about the importance of water in our everyday lives and the horrors of what has been happening to our military families (vomiting, skin burning, headaches, nosebleeds, putting down their pets). One of our youth has reminded us of a statement they learned during an aloha 'aina fieldtrip to UH Manoa: "If the water is sick, we are sick." From our conversations, it is clear to me that there is a deep concern for the wellbeing of ourselves, our loved ones, and our precious wai. For this reason, I urge you, our leaders of Hawai'i, to take the necessary actions to keep our wai and our communities safe.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Ola i ka wai! Water is Life!

Daghang Salamat,
Demiliza Saramosing

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a kānaka maoli of Hawai'i and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Hāwane Rios

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Written Testimony

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Committee
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

The health of our people and the protection of O'ahu's water and environment is absolutely essential. All life depends on water. It is vital to our survival and is irreplaceable. The water that has already been contaminated will affect our communities for a long time. This contamination must be stopped as soon as possible so that our communities will not have to experience prolonged suffering. This contamination has caused and will continue to cause great health risks and has also created a climate of fear and anxiety.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
Alejandra Rivas

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Aloha,

Imagine getting up in the morning and helping to get your child ready for the day. You help them brush their teeth, wash their face, and prepare oatmeal. Just before heading out the door, you refill the dog's water bowl, the kids wash their dishes & you fill your tumbler with water. It's a nice start to your day.

Now imagine that routine with the odor of fuel rinsing your child's mouth, dripping from their washed face, and mixed in their oatmeal. Your dog has been throwing up, your kids are developing a rash, and you don't know why you've been feeling dizzy spells.

Written Testimony This isn't imagination for some. This is a reality for all - all of us who use water on this island, which is literally all of us, are being affected by the poor water management of the U.S. Navy.

It is common sense that when there is a leak, you must fix it before the leak gets worst. They have not done that, and therefore it has gotten worst. It is common sense that as public officials, you are sworn to protect us.

I urge you to listen to the people you claim to represent - the people of Oahu. Please shut down Red Hill, and save us all.

Mahalo,
Rexie

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice-Chair Kia'āina, and Council members,
As a resident of O'ahu and a huge proponent of proper hydration, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City. It furthers that no permit will be granted unless the applicant is able to prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. The state of Hawai'i cannot and should not permit underground storage tanks that post a threat to leaking and tainting our 'āina and wai.

Written
Testimony

The Red Hill facility has a history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment, disregarding the concerns and safety of Hawai'i residents, and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary source of drinking water. In addition, the Red Hill facility has not taken any accountability for the issues they have caused or acknowledged they have compromised the health of the entire island of O'ahu, residents and tourists alike. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our 'āina, wai, and communities.

Hawai'i is an island with finite resources and we should be doing everything we can to protect our resources.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Mahalo,
Jessica Kawehionāalani Silulu Perry-Ah Hoy

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a former resident of O'ahu (one who will most certainly return) and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As a Native Hawaiian, my connection to the land and water in Hawai'i is familial. I may live on the continent now, but O'ahu is the home to which I will always return. It's where my grandma and papa live. My aunts and my uncles. It's where I intend to raise my babies. But my connection to the U.S Navy is also familial. My father is a retired Senior Chief. My brother is an active duty warrant officer. And so I say with everything in me, this issue is deeply personal. Before my father retired, I used to live in the affected area. My niece and nephew lived with us. They were babies. My ability to have children, if I were still living there, would now be impacted. And now the waters I hope to bathe my future children in are irreversibly compromised. I know the Navy can do better and is choosing not to. I know that because of Kaho'olawe, and because of our relatives in and from Micronesia. The Navy does not protect us, only we can protect us. Please, be pono. Do what *you* have the power to do to protect O'ahu's people and water.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Brittany Eltringham

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization
Organization One World One Water, LLC
Aloha Chairman Waters and members of the Council,

I'm writing in support of Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276. I join the voice of the community speaking in outrage over the crisis at Red Hill – a catastrophe that has been on the horizon for decades. There is no replacing our aquifer and the abundant, clean freshwater that it provides. There is no acceptable reason for 180 million gallons of fuel to continue to remain just 100 feet above the water source to 77% of the island.

Written Testimony For 10 years, I have worked with City and State agencies to advance water management and policy solutions for Hawai'i towards greater water security now and into the future. In addition to endangering the health and safety of our community, this fuel spill is an enormous setback for decades of water management on our island. I know firsthand that the folks at the Board of Water Supply, Commission on Water Resources Management, and the Department of Health are hardworking and passionate about water. I would like to take the moment to acknowledge that in the face of this disaster, their professionalism and diligence to providing the community with clean water has remained intact.

Sincerely,
Christin Reynolds
Director, One World One Water

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written
Testimony

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,
As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

As resident born and raised on this island I have had the idea of caring for the land since I was a child. There is no argument that the fresh water is vital for life and overall limited. We cannot allow anything else to take priority over the preservation of our water resources that are necessary to sustain life. This issue should not have to be up for debate. The Red Hill Facility has a proven history of leaks and therefore needs to be classified as a current and present danger to the water supply of Oahu. The severity of this issue cannot be understated. Any/all emergency declarations/measures/legislation need to be enacted by governmental bodies to stop this preventable catastrophe from being further carried out by allowing the Red Hill facility to continue to operate.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Jason Chee

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. this impacts me and my community so i support this bill. this could spread to our water ans contaminate all of our water. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely, Robin Clark

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written Testimony As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. If we don't fix this situation now not only redhill will have contaminated the rest of Oahu will have contaminated water.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

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Written
Testimony

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I support this because we need to have a safer community, I dont want anyone to come in our community and build unsafe stuff with no permission.

sincerely, collin callejo

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony

As a resident of O’ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. I support this bill because if we don't fix this problem then this will be a bigger problem than it is because this oil can potentially spread around our island and we will not have drinkable water and our land will die. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O’ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Maleo ahvan

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

I support this bill because my community and many more communities on Oahu will soon be effected by this water crisis if this problem isn't solved. many more families and CHILDREN will be consuming contaminated water. You are literally poisoning the people of Hawai'i. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
Allen James Moe

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Since all the aquifers are connect underground if one gets contaminated then other aquifers has a chance to get contaminated. I support this bill because since Waianae dosent produce enough water get 50% of our water from Pearl city. Which is near the same aquifer as Red Hill which has a chance of getting contaminated and we could be drinking contaminated water as well.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Krystal Hernandez

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Water connects us all on our precious island. No matter what party you align yourself with, what community, what age, what race. Water is needed to sustain life--it is a basic human right. The future of our island community is being threatened by the environmental disaster that has been growing for decades in Red Hill. This month, our worst fear has come true. As a community worker and youth service provider in the nearby Halawa community, I worry about the long term impacts contaminated water will have on our young people. At the same time, as a Kapalama resident and caregiver to my aunty, I am affected by this crisis; we need access to clean water for her daily care. I try to be mindful about my water usage now more than ever. But these past few weeks, I have found myself smelling my water, smelling my food, to see if I can detect jet fuel. We cannot strive forward to a bright future if our basic access to clean water is constantly threatened. Ola I ka wai! Water is life!

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Sincerely,
Jordan Ragasa

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Your position on the matter Comment
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia aina, and Councilperson

Written Testimony

As a resident of O'ahu and a water dinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the city. Not only your community is being impacted, but all the communities on this island. If you guys are taking the water from where we get our water then how will we have water.

Sincerely, Tiafau Gora

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

Written
Testimony

As an 'ōpio Hawai'i, a young person of Hawai'i; water is, has been, and always will be an important part of my life, especially as someone with deep, cultural connection to the earth and waters. I would like myself and those after me to live in a Hawai'i where if someone does something that might jeopardize the safety of communities and purity of our waters, to know with certainty what is happening and ensure that a situation such as this one does not happen again.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council. Mahalo nui for considering my future and the future of your progeny.

Na'u nō, me ke aloha no ka lāhui.
Ifit Hoppe-Cruz

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Written Testimony

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Your position on the matter Support
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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

I support this bill because i wouldn't want people to come into my community and do something without letting the community know of what their doing or building in the community. Due to the water that's being contaminating it's making families panicking of what's going around and the people who is getting affected from this situation is going to stores and buying a whole bunch of water to brush their teeth, drink, and to shower. They can't go out of there homes because they don't have enough money to get into a hotel room. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,

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Written Testimony

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Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia‘āina, and Councilmembers,

Written
Testimony

As a resident of O‘ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply. The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O‘ahu’s primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Joeziah Clifton

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity or larger that pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

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Testimony

I support this bill because I wouldn't want people to come into my community and do something that affects the whole community and not tell the people about it. Due to the water being contaminated people have been only using bottled water and because of this stores are quickly running out of water. We need to fix this situation because people in our own community are getting sick because of this water.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Curtis Jackson

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony I support Bill 48 to make future fuel tanks obtain a permit and prove how safe they are. I also support Resolution 21-276 to remove the Navy's bunk fuel storage system. Water is life and we all need it to survive, now and for the future generations.

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Council members,

As a lifelong resident of Oahu, and living creature reliant on water to survive, I strongly support Bill 48 requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with high capacity to obtain a permit from the City, and provide proof that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. We simply can not allow underground storage tanks of that capacity to pose such a strong threat to our water supply.

Written
Testimony

In my community of Wai'anae, water is less common, and incredibly important. As a teacher, I work with my students to understand the value of our watersheds, and of ecosystem connectivity in our ahupua'a. We work hard to learn, educate and participate in preserving and restoring healthy watersheds. To have our precious ground water contaminated would negatively impact all future generations ability to live in this place that we have aloha and kuleana to.

The Red Hill facility and it's fragile, outdated tank system, has a long history of leaking and has already done untold damage to O'ahu's primary drinking aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately is the only way to insure safe drinking water.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify adn for taking up this important measure at the council.

-Katie Kealoha

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Written Testimony

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Meeting Date 12-15-2021
Council/PH Committee Public Safety
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony As a water drinker and a kanaka I support bill 48. My Ohana on Oahu deserve clean water. Our keiki deserve clean water. It is our right as kanaka of this `āina to have CLEAN water. Mahalo.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony Please act responsibly and with your hearts and heads. You know that your responsibility is to the people of Hawaii, and our right to clean water is obvious. Thank you.
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48 and/or resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization Aloha

Written Testimony

My name is Ayla mossman and I am a native Hawaiian born and raised on Hawai'i island. I fully support bill 48. Being from Hawai'i we learn at a very young age the importance of water. I would like to think that any human would know this from a young age. Without water, what is life? My lineage is from the island of O'ahu and i currently have family that reside there and i am very concerned for their safety. Please do what is needed to fix this problem. Mahalo nui

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH
Committee Council
Agenda Item 21-276
Your position on
the matter Support
Representing
Organization Self

Written
Testimony

Honorable Council Members,
I strongly support this resolution. As we are all caretakers of this beautiful island which we hope to pass on to future generations, we must do what we can to protect it. Water is a most basic resource that all life in Hawaii depends on. Although we may take it for granted as we are surrounded by it and it falls from the sky, we are still geographically isolated. If our water sources become contaminated, there is no easy solution to have water brought in from elsewhere. We must do what we can to sustain the natural cycles of nature in a way that minimizes the impact of industry and human activity when it comes to a primary resource we all depend on. We can think no further than our state motto as inspiration. Thank you for your time.

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Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written
Testimony

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item 21-276
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Meeting date: 12/15/2021
Council/PH Committee: Council/public hearing
Agenda Item: Resolution 21-276
Position: Support

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers,

As a resident of O'ahu and a water drinker, I strongly support Resolution 21-276, urging the permanent removal and relocation of the U.S. Navy Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility underground storage tanks. We simply cannot allow 80-year-old underground storage tanks that store up to 187 million gallons of fuel per day and that pose such an immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply to operate 100 feet above O'ahu's sole-source drinking water aquifer.

Written
Testimony

The contamination at Red Hill impacts all of us on O'ahu. My friends, colleagues, and students living in and around Red Hill have expressed mutual concern. Some have become sick and suffer ongoing health issues from water contamination and have had to relocate to Waikiki. Those of us living in the vicinity are concerned it's only a matter of time before it reaches us.

The Red Hill facility – the fragile, antiquated fuel tanks and supporting systems – has a long history of leaking fuel into the surrounding environment and has already contaminated O'ahu's primary drinking water aquifer. Shutting down Red Hill immediately and entirely is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for taking up this important measure at the council.

Sincerely,
Mareva Minerbi
Lecturer, Leeward Community College

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee: Council
Agenda Item: Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276
Your position on the matter: Support
Representing Organization: Self
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Aloha, my name is Isaiah Smith and I am a lifetime resident of Hawai'i and am here to submit my testimony and support for Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276.

The Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility ("Facility") is a prime example of how a leaky underground storage tank can threaten our most precious resource. The DOH has concluded that the storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, is inherently dangerous to the water security of O'ahu. These storage tanks on Red Hill contain millions of gallons of fuel, and are outdated due to wear and corrosion of the metal structures that make up the tanks, making them unsafe. These tanks are also only 100 feet above our underground aquifers.

These tanks have already leaked 180,000 gallons of fuel since they were constructed and the Navy's own risk assessment from 2018 concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons (independent of any earthquake risk) over the next ten years is 96%. The Navy cannot prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. These amounts and high chances of future leaks are absolutely unacceptable.

Just from this recent 14,000 gallon leak, approximately 93,000 people living in military housing have been unable to use their water for several weeks. Water will not be restored, and those who were displaced will not be able to return home, for at least six to eight weeks, if not longer. If the Navy water system is further compromised, our housing crisis will mushroom. If future leaks occur, which according to the navy there is a high likelihood, then O'ahu would undoubtedly be in dire straits for housing as well as access to clean water.

DOH said that a water sample taken from the Red Hill drinking water shaft on December 5 confirmed the water is contaminated with "high levels" of petroleum and gasoline. The sample detected total petroleum hydrocarbons diesel range organics levels 350 times above the DOH Environmental Action Level (EAL) for drinking water, and gasoline range organics more than 66 times the DOH EAL.

Lower levels of petroleum products were also found in samples collected from the Aliamanu Child Development Center as well as homes located on the Navy's water system.

The 14,000 gallon leak of water-fuel mixture through a fire suppression system drain line at Red Hill in mid-November is suspected to be the cause of this water contamination crisis.

Navy officials cannot be trusted to protect our water. They have lied time and time again:

- The Navy lied about an active leak at Pearl Harbor for months, discovering the leak in January 2021 but not informing Health Department officials until May. This was revealed in whistleblower emails and documents in October.
- A whistleblower also told the Department of Health in September that Navy officials provided false testimony and withheld information about the full extent of the Facility's infrastructure, including connected pipelines, as well as "historical records of corrosion issues, including holes in tanks" at its Red Hill fuel facility during legal proceedings.

The Navy not only has lied to the community, but also continues to confuse and gaslight community members.

- The Navy suspended use of its Red Hill water shaft on November 28, but the public only found out on December 1.
- Hundreds of community members reported chemical smells in their water on November 28 and then health issues on November 29, which the Navy refused to acknowledge as a potential health concern until the state Department of Health advised residents to not drink the clearly contaminated water.
- A day after the Navy said it had detected diesel in its 'Aiea Hālawā well at levels more than double the DOH safety limit, the military backtracked, saying the contaminated sample "did not come directly" from the well and the Navy does not believe the result proves the well is contaminated.
- They continue to not be transparent despite agreeing to the Administrative Order of Consent, which requires them to be more forthcoming about operations at the Red Hill facility.

The BWS Hālawā shaft will be shut down until fuel is removed from the tanks and may not reopen for years to come. This shaft was a source of water for South O'ahu from Hālawā to Maunaloa. The BWS has advised that mandatory water conservation measures will now need to be in place in the summer of 2022.

Damage has been done not only from the leaks themselves, but the Navy also "flushed" Red Hill contaminants for days in violation of Department of Health requirements despite repeated warnings. This risked long-lasting effects on birds, plants, fish, and other aquatic life from petroleum contamination

So again, we need Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276, we need to protect our water sources here in Hawai'i, and we cannot trust military to do that on their own terms. We need greater accountability of the navy as well as greater supervision over activities and/or facilities that may and have had negative impacts on Hawai'i's natural resources. Mahalo for your time

Sincerely, Isaiah Smith

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item TRANSPORTATION. SUSTAINABILITY AND HEALTH
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony
The tanks a built in a very bad place. They are old and its time to shut them down!
Navy needs to step it up and fix this situation.
Thank You.

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Written Testimony

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Council/PH
Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the
matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Written Testimony Bill 48 is absolutely needed to offer more protection to our irreplaceable and vital water sources. Mahalo nui, Honolulu City Council members, for considering this crucial bill.

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Council/PH Committee	Council
Agenda Item	Bill 48
Your position on the matter	Support
Representing	Self
Organization	
Written Testimony	This bill is essential to protecting natural water resources.
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha Council Members,

I support Bill 48. As a mother, school teacher, resident of O'ahu and human, I have colleagues who have school children unable to access clean water. This is a basic human right, one that the Navy has taken for granted....we must keep in mind, It's poisoning it's own members too.

We can not have these 80 year old fuel tanks, built with 80 year old technology, underground so close to our aquifer.

Written
Testimony

Haven't we thought of any new solutions in the past 80 years? Hasn't technology advanced enough to be able to store this fuel ELSE where?

The Navy has withheld information about an active leak at Pearl ? Harbor for months but not informing Health Department Officials until May.

We MUST NOT be collateral damage for "National Security." WE are the people that the Navy is meant to PROTECT.

Please find another place to store the fuel.

Thank you,
Kori

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Written Testimony

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Meeting Date 12-15-2021
Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

My name is Maggie Ayau and I was born and raised in the Pi'ihonua-Punahoa area of Hilo, Hawai'i. Although I am not a resident of O'ahu, it deeply concerns me as a citizen of Hawai'i to witness the contamination of local drinking water at Red Hill, especially during a global crisis in which the health of our community is already at an escalated risk.

This is why I support Bill 48, requiring any operator of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more to obtain a permit from the City. It further stipulates that no permit will be granted unless the applicant proves that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment.

Written
Testimony

The Navy puts tens of thousands of lives at risk with every day it refuses to take action to shut down Red Hill immediately and entirely. This is the only way to guarantee the safety of our water and our people. We simply cannot permit underground storage tanks of that capacity which pose such immense threat of leaking and contaminating our environment and water supply.

I have lived long enough to know what happens to communities whose water supplies are compromised. The pollution events in Flint, Standing Rock, and British Columbia's Trans Mountain all took place within my lifetime – I pay attention to how these crises have been handled and how communities are left to bear the long-term burdens of recovery.

For these reasons, I support Bill 48 as a means to prevent this from ever happening again to the people of Hawai'i.

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December 15, 2021

Policy Matters

An LLC Company



Re: Testimony in Strong Support for Bill 48 and Resolution 21-276

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia'āina, and Councilmembers:

My name is Becky Gardner and I am submitting this testimony on behalf of myself as Principal and Founder of Policy Matters LLC; and as a resident of East Oahu, who uses the water from the sole source aquifer under East Oahu to raise my family – cooking and bathing with water that is at grave risk of becoming tainted by deadly levels of jet fuel.

These measures would require operators of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, to obtain a permit from the City; and would prohibit such permits unless the applicant-operator can prove that the tank or tank system will not leak regulated substances into the environment. These requirements are key, as this is precisely what the Navy has failed to do after several years of dangerous leaks that have and continue to threaten the health and safety of Oahu's residents and environment.

The fuel tanks at the Red Hill facility have been reported to leaked at least 180,000 gallons of jet fuel - with over 73 leaks since they were constructed during World War II. Some reports indicate that of all the leaks, 4 billion gallons are still unaccounted for.

We may not yet have the technology, means, and tools to truly test the full extent of the leaks and threat to safety to the public who relies on the sole source aquifer that supplies 77% of Oahu's water. Just because some of our tests show that there has been no contamination does not mean that it doesn't exist. And it is incumbent upon our leaders to exhibit more drastic precautionary measures. Thus, I am delighted by this action of the City Council.

I became especially familiar with the situation at Red Hill from my work as a member of the Kaimuki Neighborhood Board about 4 ½ years ago. In 2017, the Sierra Club of Oahu had approached several Neighborhood Boards to pass resolutions to protect Oahu's groundwater from these threats. As part of that process, I was invited with several other Neighborhood Board Members across the island to take a tour of the underground tanks. This was a breathtaking experience, so to say, as I endured toxic fumes and battled the worst headache of my life – spending hours walking into these tanks, through the tunnels that connected them, and listening to Navy officials and engineers gush over what a technological and engineering feat this was. It was quite difficult to physically tolerate all the irrelevant 'tech-talk' and 'science-speak' that was seemingly performed to confuse and baffle members of the public in ways that ignored the multiple calls from local, state, and federal regulators to get the perpetual leaks and operation under control. It is remarkable that there is so much agreement from so many regulators at multiple levels of government that what these tanks do are a danger to health and safety; and yet to watch Navy officials brush these calls under the rug, along with the concerns of so many residents has been maddening.

One very significant matter that deserves attention is that underground fuel facilities built during the same area as those at Red Hill have been shut down across the country. Why has the Navy failed to take such action on Oahu? What does that say about how the health and safety of Hawaii's residents weighs on the priorities of the Navy?

Key to understanding this is the mere fact that they've allowed the contamination to affect the families of Navy's own servicemembers. Accordingly, I think the iron is hot to pass this and similar measures. If the Navy won't shut down these operations when they are endangering the lives of their own, then we can't hold out much hope that they will ever do it. It's time to apply the pressure, and ensure that Navy respects and protects the residents of Hawaii, like it has at multiple other locations on the mainland where they shut down antiquated fuel tank operations.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rebecca Gardner'.

Rebecca (Becky) Gardner, Esq.

From: CLK Council Info
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Infrastructure and Technology
Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self

Written Testimony

I support the city and county of Honolulu holding the US navy and military in O'ahu accountable to keep residents of O'ahu safe in the future from any other threats to our aquifer. If Hawaii and O'ahu is so important to the national security of the united states, the military should make this a top priority. You can't poison your own troops and expect them to be in top fighting shape to protect us from outside threats. It's time the military fix their own problem they created when they decided to build these tanks in secret. We also need expand this bill to all military leased areas on island, not just limit the scope of this bill to the red hill fuel tanks. Expand it and make sure all of their old facilities are brought up to today's environmental standards or are properly decommissioned with EPA and DOH oversight throughout the process.

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From: CLK Council Info
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee	Public Infrastructure and Technology
Agenda Item	Bill 48
Your position on the matter	Support
Representing	Self
Organization	
Written Testimony	Water is life
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From: CLK Council Info
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Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Public Infrastructure and Technology
Agenda Item Resolution 21-276 and Bill 48
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization

Aloha,

I am writing you today because I am furious with the US Navy Leadership's mishandling of their fuel tanks at Red Hill.

Since the facility's conception 80 years ago, engineers knew these tanks had a shelf life. Jet fuel is CORROSIVE. There is no technology that will hold jet fuel until the end of time. The military's engineers know this.

These tanks are mostly used as a reserve. There is no reason to believe that since they aren't being actively used, that a refurbishing process could take place.

The military is also in receipt of nearly HALF of federal tax revenue.

They have no excused for their causing the current crisis in which the water infrastructure of half a million Honolulu residents is now in jeopardy.

This crisis was completely avoidable and the worst part about it, the root cause is simply gross negligence.

We should not be talking about *if* regulations should be placed on navy leadership, we need to know when. And we need to decided who, if anyone, other than the US military, will be commissioning use of these tanks and the land they encompass.

Mahalo for your time,

Anthony

Written
Testimony

From: CLK Council Info
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Subject: Zoning and Planning Testimony

Written Testimony

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Council/PH Committee	Zoning and Planning
Agenda Item	Safe water
Your position on the matter	Support
Representing Organization	Self
Written Testimony	The land has long been disrespected and the rights of nature have to come above all.
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From: CLK Council Info
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Subject: Public Infrastructure and Technology Testimony

Written Testimony

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Agenda Item Bill 48
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization

December 14, 2021

To: Honolulu City Council
From: Ilima DeCosta, Native Hawaiian Family Advocate
Re: Opposition to Bill 48

Mahalo to the Council for their attention to the issue of water quality and to their acknowledgment of the Navy's lack of due diligence as a steward for Hawaii's natural resources.

Written
Testimony

Special mahalo to Chair Waters and Councilwoman Cordero, for their efforts to address the County's obligation to the residents of Oahu, as well as working to find solutions to the current water crisis.

Unlike in the past, where Oahu residents were asked to conserve water due to drought conditions outside of anyone's control, the current water crisis is not only within human control, the current water crisis is completely preventable.

For years, Ernest Lau and the Sierra Club have been sounding the alarm regarding the integrity of the fuel tanks at Red Hill.

Sadly, despite the efforts of Mr. Lau and so many other dedicated community members, it was not until AFTER young infants were burned and made severely ill by fuel contaminated water, that anyone in leadership - at the County, State or Federal level - started to pay serious attention to what has now turned into a full scale threat to public health.

The purported “purpose” of the bill appears to focus on the County’s obligation to the public: “The City and County of Honolulu (“City) has a public trust duty to protect the purity of O’ahu’s groundwater.”

The bill goes on to state:

“The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has designated the Southern O’ahu Basal Aquifer, stretching from Schofield Barracks through urban Honolulu, as the “principal source of drinking water” for Oahu that “if contaminated, would create a significant hazard to public health.

Underground storage tanks containing petroleum products are a threat to Oahu’s groundwater. The State of Hawai’i Department of Health (“DOH”) has determined that no underground storage tank or underground storage tank system in Hawaii poses as great a threat to groundwater as the underground storage tanks at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility (“Facility”). The DOH has concluded that the storage of up to 187 million gallons of fuel, 100 feet above a drinking water resource, is inherently dangerous.

The U.S. Department of the Navy (“Navy”) underground storage tanks at the Facility have a long history of leaking.“

Bill 48 admits the Navy is known to neglect their fuel tanks, resulting in a “long history of leaking.”, yet the Council wants the public to believe that we can somehow trust the Navy to do better with new tanks.

From Bill 48:

“Navy reports reveal that the tanks have contaminated groundwater beneath the Facility. A Quantitative Risk and Vulnerability Assessment of the Facility prepared for the Navy in 2018 concluded that the probability of an acute leak of between 1,000 and 30,000 gallons (independent of any earthquake risk) over the next year is 27.6 percent; over the next five years, the risk is 80.1 percent; and over the next ten years, the risk is 96.0 percent. Eight of the currently operating tanks at the Facility have not been inspected pursuant to modern standards in more than two decades and are overdue for inspection. Corrosion from the back of the Facility’s tanks, at times creating through-holes, is a significant problem. Other large capacity underground storage tank systems at the Facility also pose a risk to groundwater.”

Now that the threat of water contamination has passed to an actual attack on our fresh water supply, and based on the Navy’s history, I am not convinced that Bill 48 - as written - provides the type of solution being demanded by those most immediately impacted: mothers, children, and our military sailors, airmen, coastguardsmen, and soldiers, who shouldn’t have to worry about the water their children drink.

As a former military spouse, I know that military readiness is essential for maintaining homeland security. Just like COVID-19, threats to our public water supply that result in harms to our military members and their families are also a threat to the civilian population and to homeland security.

According to Bill 48:

“United States Code Title 42, Section 6991f(a), gives the City the legal authority to enact underground storage tank requirements that all federal agencies must comply with.”

Based on the language, the County appears to have the ability to do more than just rubber stamp another fuel tank in the same location; the County has the ability - and the duty - to regulate the location and proximity of fuel tanks to any water sources.

However, despite their ability to regulate the proximity to water, it appears the Council would rather have the public support the dismantling of some tanks and the rebuilding of NEW fuel tanks at/near the same location.

At least, that’s what Bill 48 would appear to do. By failing to regulate the proximity to water, Bill 48 merely acts to “clean up” the mess, but does not operate to remove the fuel or the fuel tanks that currently threaten the fresh water supply for almost a million Hawaii residents.

Bill 48 states:

“(b) No person shall operate an underground storage tank or tank system that has a capacity to store more than 100,000 gallons of any regulated substance without first obtaining a permit from the director of

(c) No permit shall be granted unless the applicant demonstrates that the tank or tank system will not leak any regulated substance into the environment during its operating life.”

The Navy thinks it needs the fuel tanks to be defend homeland security, but the fuel tanks won’t matter if they don’t have sailors to fly the planes or navigate their ships.

The Navy is nothing without its sailors and their families.

Since military families are part of the ‘ohana, here in Hawai’i, and since we can’t be assured that any new tanks won’t leak in the future, I regret that I must submit this testimony in opposition to any bill(s) that would facilitate the continuation of the storage of large quantities of fuel on Oahu in any area within 2 miles of any water aquifer or other body of water, including streams and the ocean.

We can live without the fuel tanks.

We cannot live without water.

Ola i ka wai. E malama pono.

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